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りんねの暮らす廃クラブ棟・隣室に越してきた、だまし神・れんげ——
「お詫びの気持ち」と、彼女が校内で無料配布するお守りストラップが
大事件の引き金となって…!? れんげを巡り人間関係&恋心が交錯、
死神・鳳に記死神・架印も巻き込んで、死神・りんねはフル稼働!!

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境界のRINNE

あらすじ Story & Character 人物紹介

鳳 Ageha

りんねに恋する超情熱的・死神少女。

六道 鯖人 Sabato Rokudo

りんねの父にして、幾多のだまし神を束ねる「堕魔死神カンパニー」社長。

来兎&零不兎 Raito & Reifuto

老舗鎌打ち屋・三日月堂を継いだ双子姉弟。
姉が営業担当で弟が鎌打ち職人。

真宮 桜 Sakura Mamiya

幼い頃にあの世へ迷い込み、幽霊が見えるようになる。
冷静沈着で、何事にも動じないクールな女の子。

六文 Rokumon

りんねをサポートする契約黒猫。

十文字 翼 Tsubasa Jumonji

桜に想いを寄せるお祓い屋の同級生。

架印 Kain

人間の寿命を管理する記死神の少年。

四魔れんげ Renge Shima

りんねのクラスにやってきた美人転校生。
正体は悪徳死神・だまし神。

六道 りんね Rinne Rokudo

成仏できずにこの世をさまよう霊を、輪廻の輪へと導く仕事をしている。
祖母は死神、祖父は人間。
学校のクラブ棟に住む貧しき高校1年生。

小さい頃から幽霊が見える少女・桜と、死神みたいな仕事をしている貧しき少年・六道りんね。
2人は、成仏できない霊の未練が巻き起こす様々な学園怪奇現象を、協力して解決する毎日。
ある日、りんねのクラスに転校してきた美少女――四魔れんげ。その正体は悪徳死神・だまし神であった。学校内を混乱の渦に巻き込んだ上に、れんげはりんねの暮らす廃クラブ棟・隣室に引っ越してくる始末……
黒猫長老に九尾の狐、さらに鬼も到来し、りんねは大わらわ！

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高橋留美子

CHAPTER 139

OMAMORI STRAP

"WHOOSH"

DAMN ...

IT'S EMPTY AGAIN TODAY ...

2

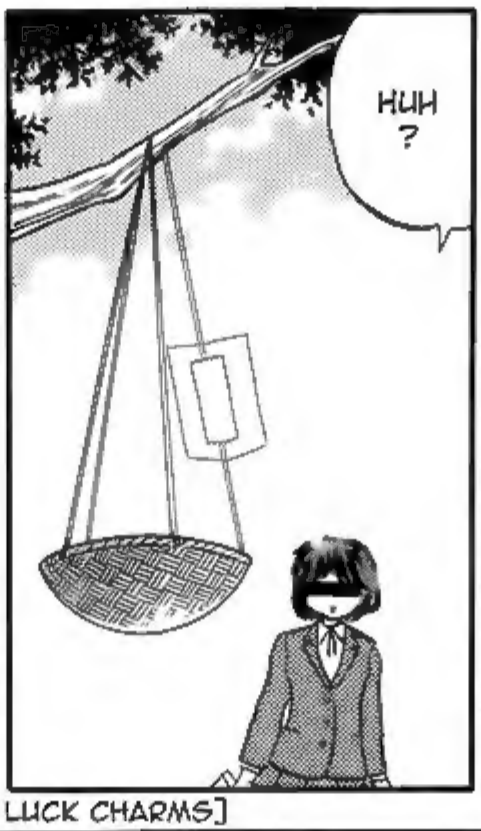
IT'S OBVIOUS WHAT THE CAUSE IS.

WE'LL FADE AWAY IF IT KEEPS UP LIKE THIS.

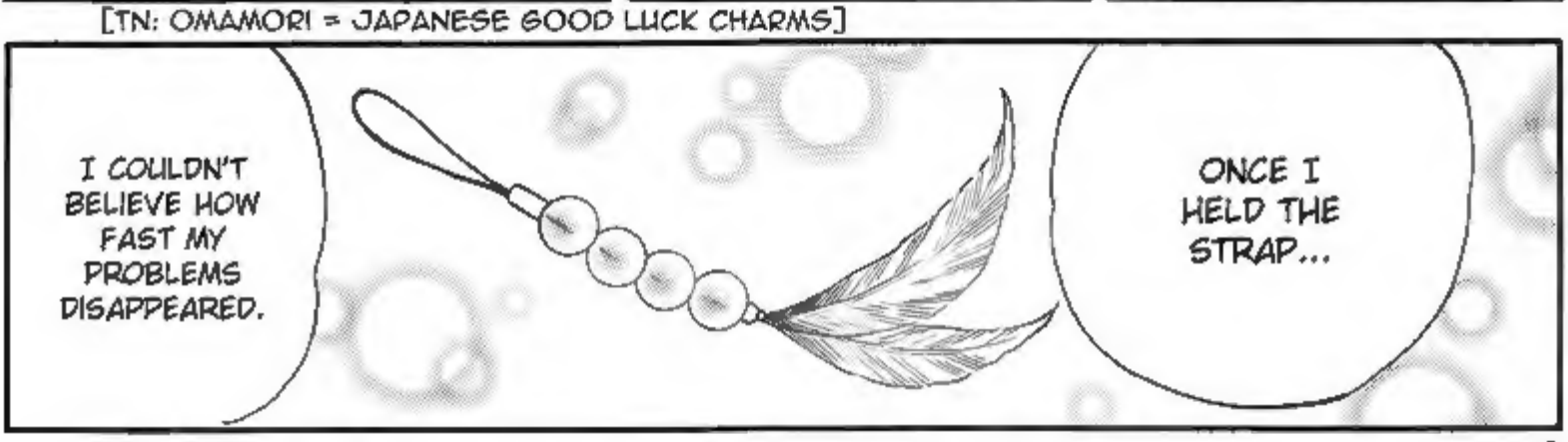
AND NO PROBLEM LETTERS OR OFFERINGS HAVE BEEN PUT INSIDE.

IT'S ALREADY BEEN A WEEK ...

PLEASE HELP YOURSELF ?
POWERFUL SPIRIT EXORCISING OMAMORI STRAPS ...
Powerful spirit exorcising Omamori straps. Please help yourself.



[TN: OMAMORI = JAPANESE GOOD LUCK CHARMS]



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キャー キャー
KYAA KYAA
OH! ISN'T THAT IT?
THE OMAMORI STRAPS.
!

わい わい
YAY YAY
I HEARD IT ACTUALLY WORKS.
AND UNLIKE THE WEATHER HUTCH, IT'S FREE.
I DON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEMS, BUT I'LL TAKE ONE ANYWAY.

IT'S REALLY POPULAR.
THIS'LL BE THE DEATH OF ROKUDOU'S BUSINESS.
ギリギリ
GRR
GRR
DAMN IT TO HELL, WHO'S DOING THIS ...

I KEEP MAKING MORE AND MORE, BUT I CAN'T CATCH UP.

DROP

DROP

THEY'VE ALL GONE.

OH, MY.

OPENS

THUD

THUD

THUD

THUD

JUST WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?

OPENS

I KNEW IT, THE OMAMORI ARE BEING MADE HERE !!!

OH, WELCOME.

WELL... IF I HAD TO SAY...

DAMA-SHIGAMI RENGE!?

JUST WHAT ARE YOU SCHEMING,

HUH !?

IT WOULD BE ATONE-MENT...

SIGH

SO I'M HANDING OUT THESE EXORCISING OMAMORI, FREE OF CHARGE.
I CAUSED SO MUCH TROUBLE FOR THE STUDENTS AT THIS SCHOOL.

ROKU-DOU-KUN.
ROKU-DOU ...
LET'S GO.
BUT RINNE-SAMA ...
THAT'S ENOUGH, ROKUMON.
AND AT THE SAME TIME YOU'RE STEALING OUR BUSINESS!

THOSE OMAMORI STRAPS ...
FOR NOW IT'S FINE.
IS IT FINE LEAVING IT LIKE THIS, ROKUDOU-KUN?

THERE'S NOT EVEN ONE WANDERING SPIRIT.

THE ATMOSPHERE AT SCHOOL DEFINITELY FEELS PURE ...

キラキラ

キラーン

•SPARKLING CLEAN•

NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT...

THEY'RE THE ULTRA-POWERFUL REAL THING.

I CAN'T JUST ACCUSE HER BECAUSE SHE'S AFFECTING ME FINANCIALLY.

RIGHT.

IN OTHER WORDS, THIS MEANS RENGE HAS DONE ABSOLUTELY NOTHING WRONG.

8

BUT WILL YOU BE ABLE TO MAKE A LIVING ROKUDOU-KUN ?

IT'D BE STRANGE TO CALL ALL THE SPIRITS BACK ...

I INTEND TO TAKE A HOLIDAY NOW.

AFTER ALL, FINALLY, THE SPIRITS ARE GONE.

"SIGH"

DON'T WORRY, MAMIYA SAKURA.

TOTALLY SILENT

STOMACH RUMBLING

AND SO A WEEK LATER . .

WHOOSH

RUSTLE

9

HMMM.

NEXT DOOR IS PRETTY QUIET.

THERE'S PLENTY OF WATER IN THE KETTLE.

WELL ...

I'M SO HUNGRY ...

HEY... RINNE-SAMA.

I HOPE THEY DIE OF HUNGER.

I GUESS THAT'S JUST THEIR PUNISHMENT FOR OBSTRUCTING POOR ME.

!

APPEARS

ドン

ANPAN

あんぱん

THIS IS FOR RINNE-SAMA TOO.

WE'LL I GUESS I HAVE NO CHOICE.

ひゅ～ *WHOOOSH*

10 [TN ANPAN=STEAMED BUNS FILLED WITH RED BEAN PASTE]

CHOW DOWN, RINNE-SAMA!

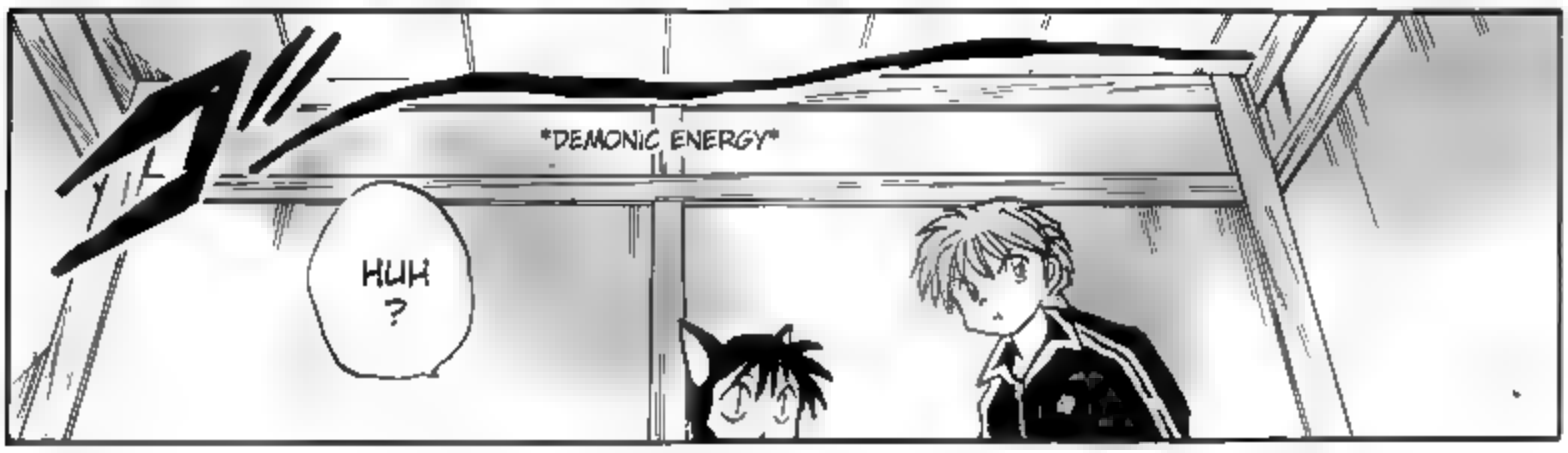
I JUST PAWNED SOME STUFF WE'RE NOT CURRENTLY USING.

I FOUND A GOOD WAY TO MAKE MONEY.

HOW'D YOU GET THIS, ROKUMON !?

TH-THIS IS...

I FEEL REST-ORED.
IT TASTES GREAT.
"TOUCHED"
ROKUMON... YOU'RE A WONDERFUL GUY!!


"DEMONIC ENERGY"
HUH ?

IT'S BAD, ROKU-DOU-KUN!
SLAM

11

MY BODY FEELS SO HEAVY...
OH, MY HEAD ...
UGH... I FEEL SO BAD ...

"GHOSTLY ENERGY"

THERE'S BEEN A HUGE BURST OF SPIRITS ...

WH- WHAT'S GOING ON, HERE!?

I'M MAKING NO PROG-RESS!

DAMN! AS SOON AS I EXORCISE THEM, MORE TAKE THEIR PLACE.

"BAM"

"WHAM"

SACRED ASHES!

AAA-RGH !!!

DAMN YOU, RENGE!

WAS THIS YOUR PLAN AFTER ALL !?

I GUESS THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU BUY INGREDIENTS MARKED AS CLOSE TO THEIR EXPIRATION DATE.

IT SEEMS THE OMAMORI STRAPS' EFFECT WORE OFF.

"EVIL ENERGY"

IN OTHER WORDS, YOU CREATED A SPIRITUAL VACUUM!

YOU TEMPORARILY USED THE STRONG EXORCISING POWER TO CLEAR THE SCHOOL AREA ...

A HUGE AMOUNT OF SPIRITS CAME FLOODING IN!

I SEE... AND ONCE THE STRAPS' EFFECT WORE OFF,

AT FIRST, I JUST WANTED TO CAUSE YOU TROUBLE.

THAT'S JUST THE WAY IT WORKED OUT.

HH

"APPEARS".

T...

"LUNGES FORWARD"

YOU'RE NOT GETTING AWAY!

"LEADS"

!

...FURTHERMORE,

JUST LIKE SAKURA SAID, ALL THE SPIRITS CAME FLOODING BACK IN.

14

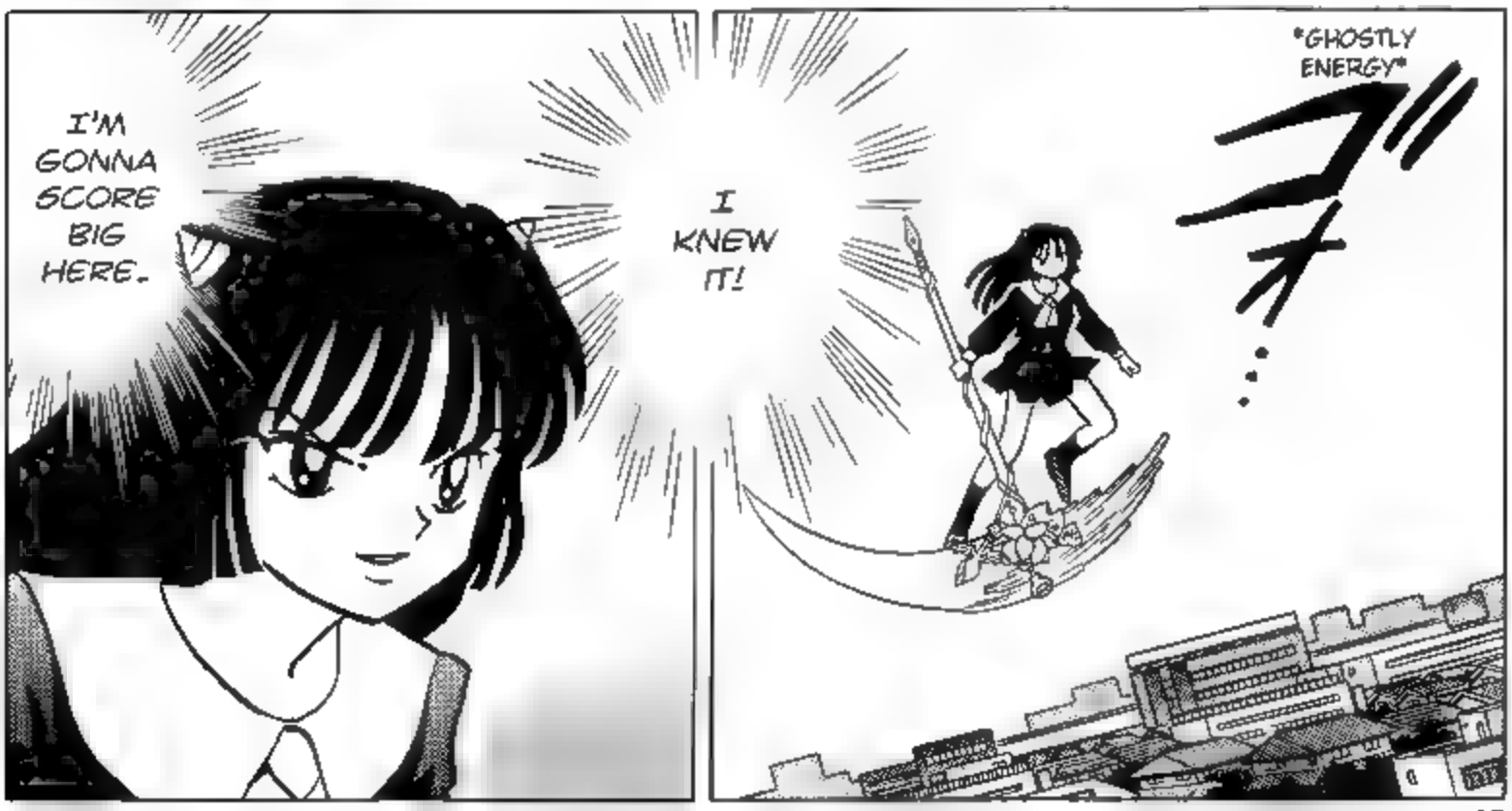
CHATTER

おにぎ おにぎ おにぎ

SHOULD BE GETTING HAUNTED BY MALIGNANT SPIRITS NOW.

ALL THE STUDENTS WHO HAD OMAMORI STRAPS

UGH... SUDDENLY, I'M FEELING SICK OF THIS WORLD ...
CHATTER
MURMUR
GO ON, JUMP OFF.


I'M GONNA SCORE BIG HERE.
I KNEW IT!
GHOSTLY ENERGY

LEAPS FORWARD
!

"WHACK"

EXOR-CISING SLASH!

"THWACK"

"SLAM"

16

IT SEEMS I WAS JUST IN TIME...

ROKUDOU-KUN.

I THINK THE EXORCISM... DIDN'T WORK.
NO...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING ?
ざわ ざわ
MURMUR
IT HURTS ...
YOU'RE STILL HERE !?
HUH !?

IT'S PLYWOOD !?
THE BLADE ---
ギシ...
CREAK
I DEFINITELY USED MY SHINIGAMI SCYTHE ON YOU ...
WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS !?

ROKU-DOU RINNE ...

"DARK ENERGY"

DON'T TELL ME...

A SHINIGAMI'S SCYTHE IS HIS SOUL... AND YOU PAWNED YOURS BECAUSE OF HARD TIMES ?

IT'S DISGUSTING ...

AH, ROKUMON ...

I WANT A WORD ...

"DEFLATES"

す～...

WELL... I THOUGHT SINCE WE WEREN'T USING IT AT THE TIME...

AND SCYTHES ARE WORTH A LOT ...

SO HE HAS NO SHINIGAMI SCYTHE...

AND WE HAVE NO WAY TO EXORCISE ALL THESE SPIRITS !?

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CHAPTER 140

THE FLOOD OF EVIL SPIRITS

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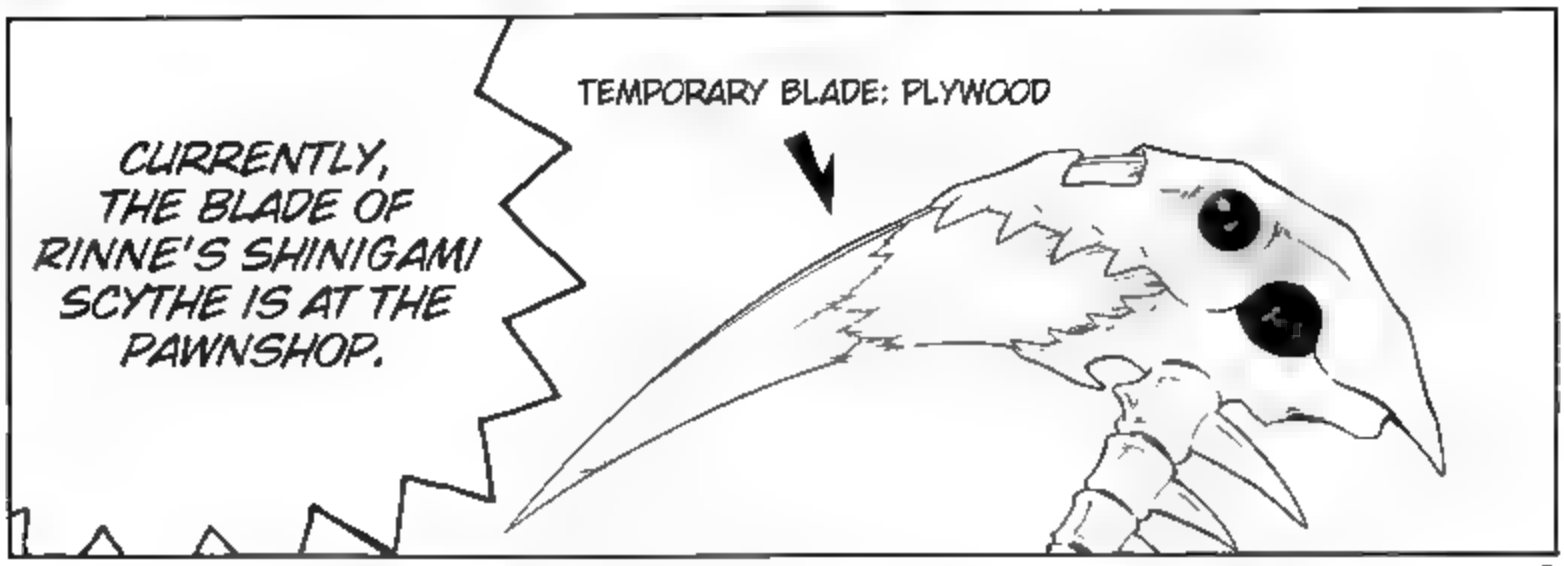
Man, my head hurts.
You suck.
ぷくー
"SWELLING"
Owww.

I knew it, I can't exorcise them with plywood!
Damn!


CURRENTLY, THE BLADE OF RINNE'S SHINIGAMI SCYTHE IS AT THE PAWNSHOP.
TEMPORARY BLADE: PLYWOOD

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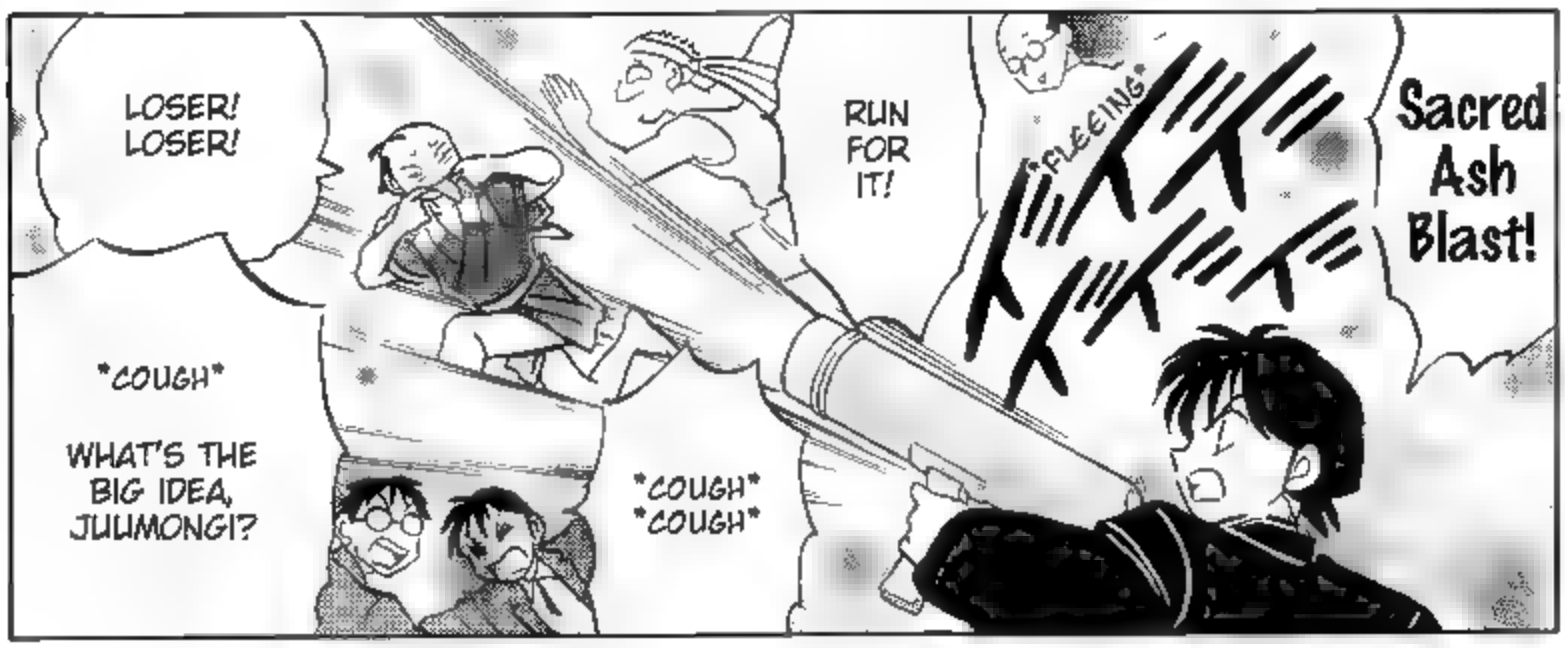

LOSER! LOSER!
"COUGH"
WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA, JUUMONGI?
"COUGH" "COUGH"
RUN FOR IT!
"FLEEING"
Sacred Ash Blast!

I CAN'T LIFT MY HEAD..

WHAT, SAKURA?

HEY, HEY, DID YOU HEAR!?

THIS THING?

EH? THE STRAPS ARE CURSED!?

EWW! HOW DISGUSTING!

*AVOIDING

AH!

ANYBODY WEARING THEM GETS CURSED!

IT'S AWFUL!

4

THE RUMOR WILL SPREAD THROUGH THE SCHOOL FAST ENOUGH..

THIS SHOULD BE ENOUGH.

GET RID OF 'EM!!
Strap Collection Box

IT HURTS WHEN YOU SAY THEY'RE CURSED.
OH, PLEASE.
I'LL GET RID OF THEM FOR YOU.
DAMASHI-GAMI RENGE
"FWIISHH"!!!
5

THEIR EXPIRATION DATE JUST PASSED THOUGH.

THOSE ARE GENUINE EXORCISING STRAPS, YOU KNOW.

I'm gonna jump off.

STILL,

IT ATTRACTED SPIRITS TO ALL THE PEOPLE ON THE ROOF.

AND ALL OF THEM WERE WEARING THE STRAPS.

6

HMPH.

THEY BECAME POSSESSED BY THE EVIL SPIRITS THAT WERE BEING HELD BACK.

IT'S VERY LIKELY THAT WHEN THE POWERFUL EXORCISING EFFECT WORE OFF,

"DASH"

I'VE BEEN DEFEAT-ED!

HUH..

I'VE UNDERESTIMATED THIS GIRL WHO CAN SEE SPIRITS..

I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE FIGURED IT OUT..

"BILLOWING"

I'D BETTER GET THESE AWAY FROM EVERYONE IN THE SCHOOL.

"WHEELING AWAY"

ANYHOW,

SO MAYBE I WON?

NOT SURE WHAT THAT WAS ABOUT..

HMPH, YOU FOOL SAKURA.

"ZOOM"

THEY'VE BECOME THIRSTY, LIKE A SPONGE.

ALL THOSE OUT-OF-DATE STRAPS..

AND WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO THESE STRAPS ONCE THE SCHOOL IS PACKED FULL OF EVIL SPIRITS?

AND SAKURA..

ALL THAT EVIL WILL GET SUCKED INTO THEM.

BEFORE LONG, YOU'LL GET OVERWHELMED BY ALL THE EVIL AND MALICIOUS SPIRITS!

YOU'LL BE RIGHT NEXT TO WHERE ALL THE STRAPS ARE GATHERED.

THAT'LL TEACH AN AMATEUR LIKE YOU FOR INTERFERING WITH MY WORK!

I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU SMEARED IN EVIL SPIRITS!

THWACK

!?

ぞろぞろ *SHUFFLING MOB*

RUNNING

WHERE ?

WHERE ARE ALL THE SPIRITS GOING OFF TO!?

YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE, ROKUDOU RINNE!

GAH!

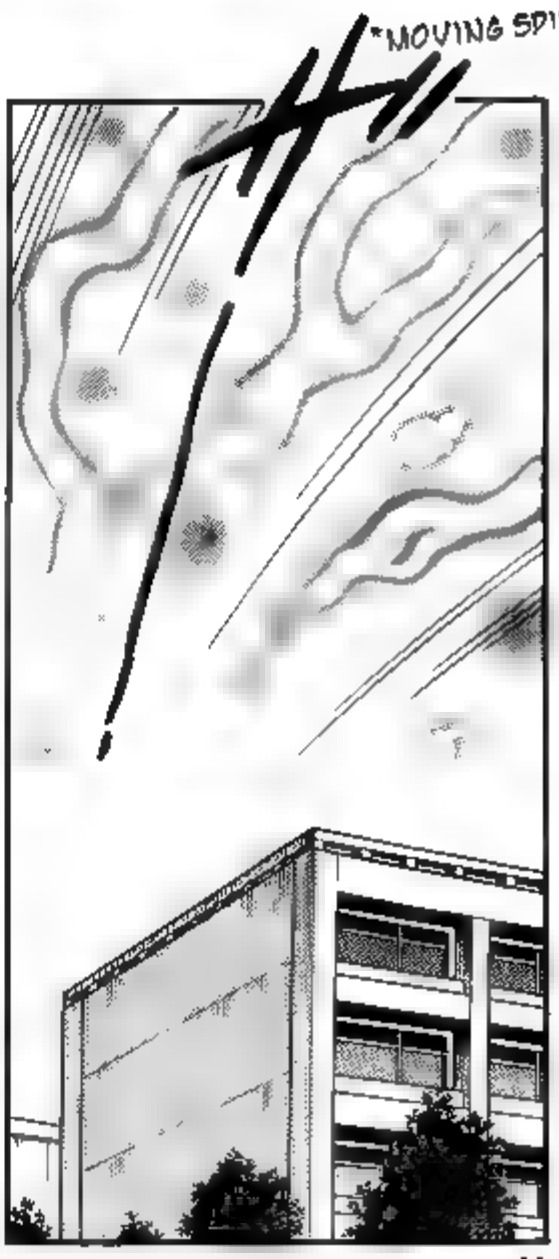
10

"BAM" "BAM" "BAM" "BAM"

YOU'RE GOING TO PLAY WITH ME FOR A WHILE!

RENGE!

BUT IF THE SPIRITS ARE HEADING THAT WAY, THEN..
!


MOVING SPIRITS

JUST WHAT THE HELL'S GOING ON HERE!?

MOVING SPIRITS
THE SPIRITS ARE GATHERING IN THE CLUB HOUSE..!?
HUH..?

AAH.
FORBODING
Strap

THAT HE COULD SHOVE THIS STRAP BOX INTO A SPIRIT ROAD..

I WAS HOPING

HUH?

ROKUMON-CHAN IS GONE.

THIS ISN'T GOOD..

IS HE UPSET BECAUSE HE PAWNED THE SHINIGAMI SCYTHE..?

ROKUMON-CHAN..

I'm sorry. Don't try to find me. Rokumon.

I'M SORRY. DON'T TRY TO FIND ME. ROKUMON..?

"MUFFLED VOICES"

"MOVING SPIRITS"

12

!?

FWOOSH

!

13

YOU'RE ALREADY TOO LATE..

HAH

!?

WHAT..?

KABOOM

ABOUT NOW, SAKURA MUST BE GETTING POSSESSED BY A GANG OF EVIL SPIRITS!

I'VE WON.

HMPH.

THE SPIRITS SEEM MORE VIOLENT THAN I EXPECTED.

..EVEN STILL,

"ZOOM"

NOT MAMIYA SAKURA!?

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THE CLUB HOUSE IS SURROUNDED BY EVIL ENERGY!?

"DARK ENERGY"

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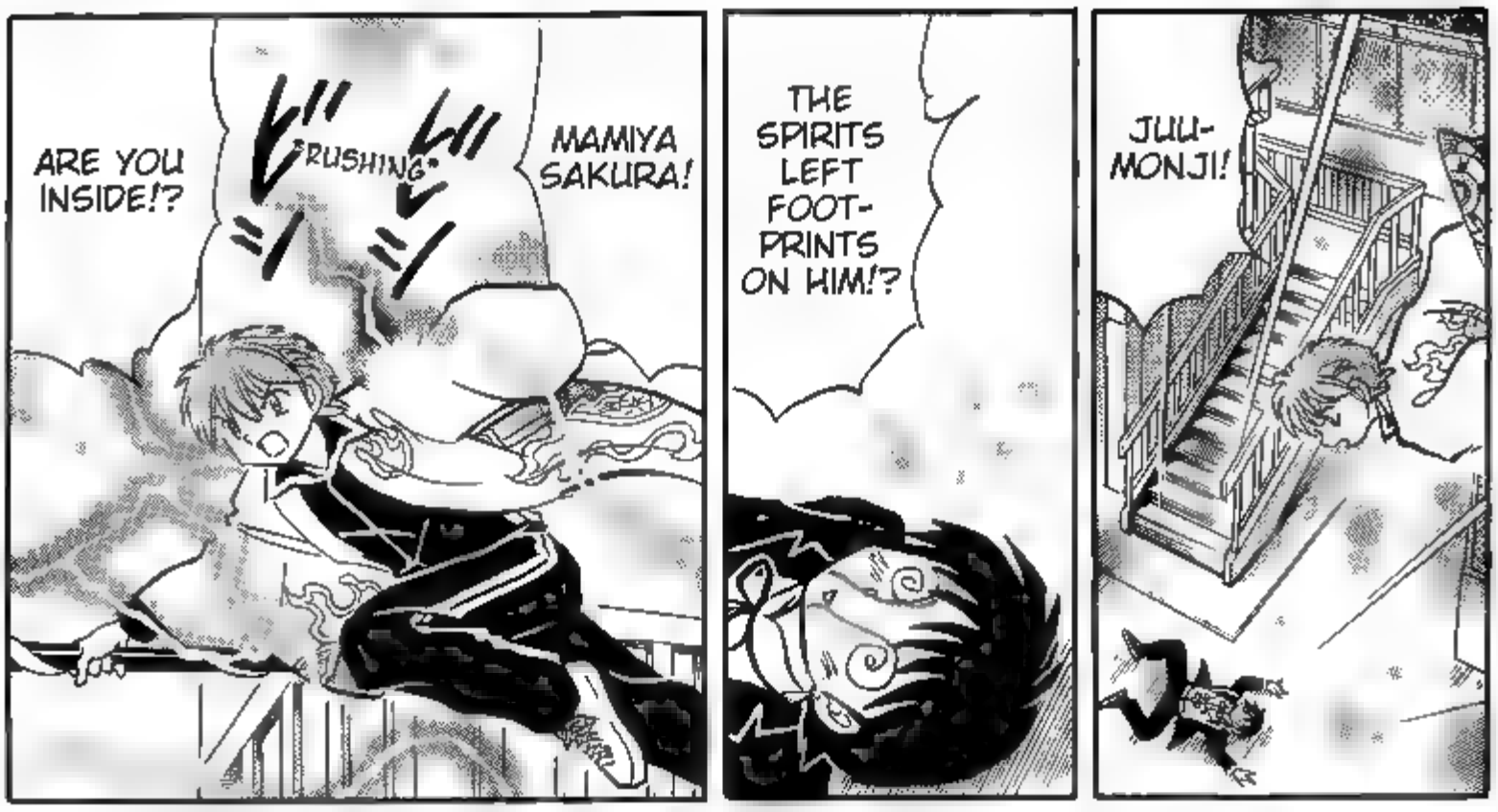
ARE YOU INSIDE!?
RUSHING
MAMIYA SAKURA!
THE SPIRITS LEFT FOOT-PRINTS ON HIM!?
JUU-MONJI!
Got to get away!
!?
ROARING CROWD
MARCHING

15

MAMIYA SAKURA!
HERE!
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE!?
THE SPIRITS ARE FLEEING..
!?
WHOOSH

"NONCHALANT"

AH, ROKUDOU-KUN.

THE SPIRITS ARE GONE!?

YEAH..

YOU'RE UNHURT!?

"PIZZLE"

16

THE STRAPS WERE SUPPOSED TO ABSORB EVIL AND ATTRACT THE EVIL SPIRITS..

WHAT'S GOING ON!?

"TWITCH"
ぴくっ
THIS IS..
WHAT!?
THE AURA OF POVERTY!?
ばっ
"JOLT"
THIS ROOM IS PACKED FULL OF..

I DID SEE A DISGUSTED LOOK ON THEIR FACE AS THEY LEFT..
I SEE.. NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT,

17

ROKU-MON.
RINNE-SAMA, I GOT YOUR SHINIGAMI SCYTHE BACK FROM THE PAWN SHOP!
"APPEARS"
LEAVING ALREADY ?
I'VE BEEN DEFEATED ..
NOTHING SCARES SPIRITS AS MUCH AS..
DAMN ..

DAMMIT, MY FURNITURE'S GONE!

MAGNIFIED

I HAPPENED TO FIND SOME STUFF TO REPLACE IT WITH.

WELL,

HOW'D YOU RAISE THE MONEY..?

PUNT

DASH

SO YOU'RE THE CULPRIT!

I DIDN'T THINK MY ROOM HAD SUCH AN AURA OF POVERTY..

SIGH

STILL, IT SEEMS LIKE ALL THE SPIRITS HAVE GONE.

A LONG-LASTING EFFECT, HUH?

HARD TIMES.

STILL EMPTY TODAY.

A week later

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CHAPTER 141

THE WHISPERING PRINCESS

ゴトーン...
"CLANG"

The Other World Antique Market

ANTIQUE MARKET

ANTIQUE MARKET

Antique Market Open for Busine

SCYTHES

SHARPE

JARS

DEVICES + TRAPS

YEAH, THE ANTIQUE MARKET IS PRETTY CHEAP.

THIS IS QUITE EXCITING, RINNE-SAMA.

2

THIS IS MY BIG CHANCE TO GET MY HANDS ON GREAT GOODS AT A CHEAP PRICE!

SOMETIMES THEY SELL BRANDED GOODS HERE.

THOU ARE DESTINED TO BE MY MASTER

ヒュウ
ヒュウ
WHOOSH

SHINIGAMI SCYTHES SALE

SCYTHES SHINIGAMI

THOU ART DESTINED TO BE MY MASTER

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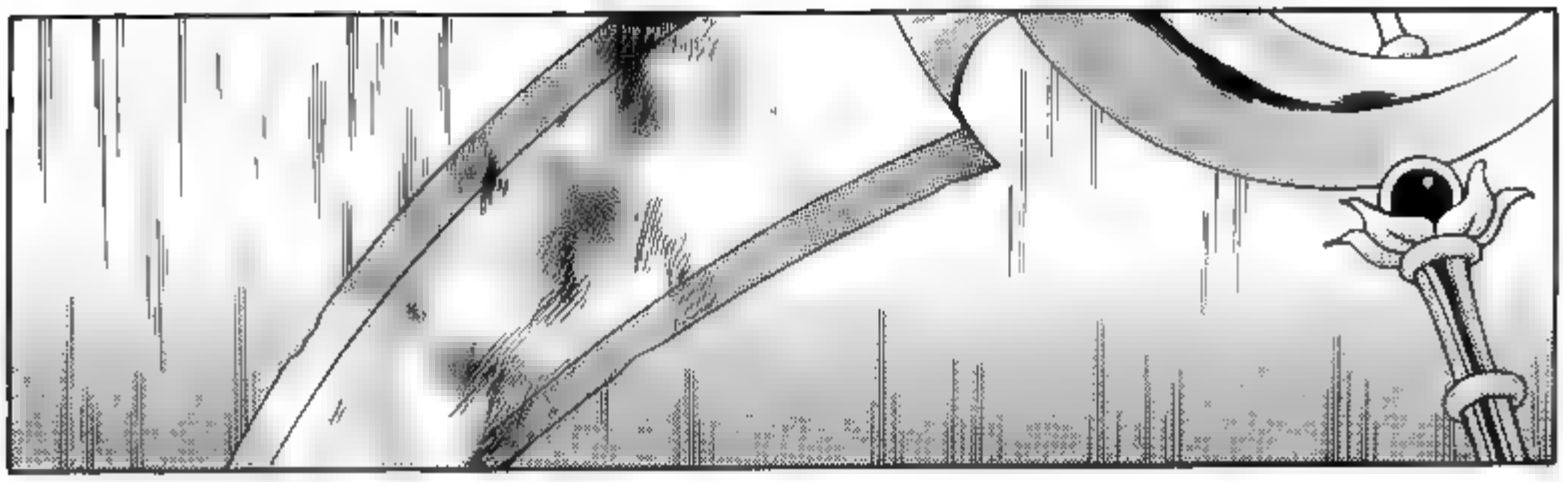
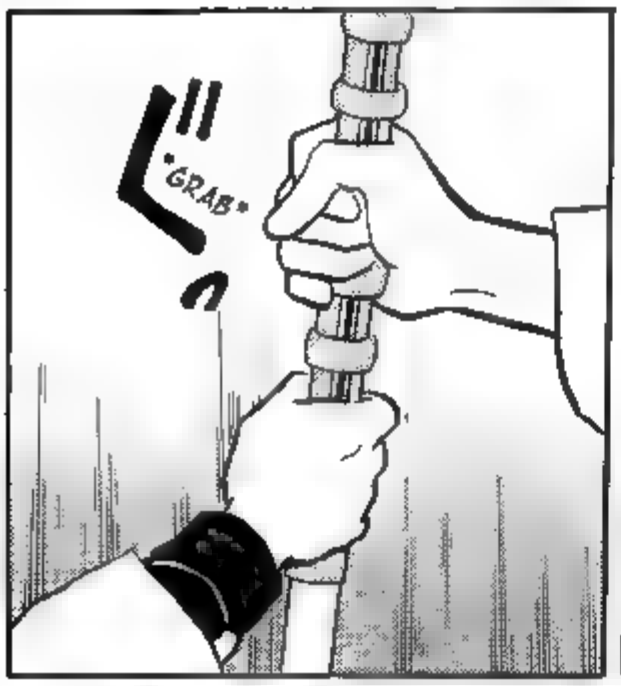
WHOOSH

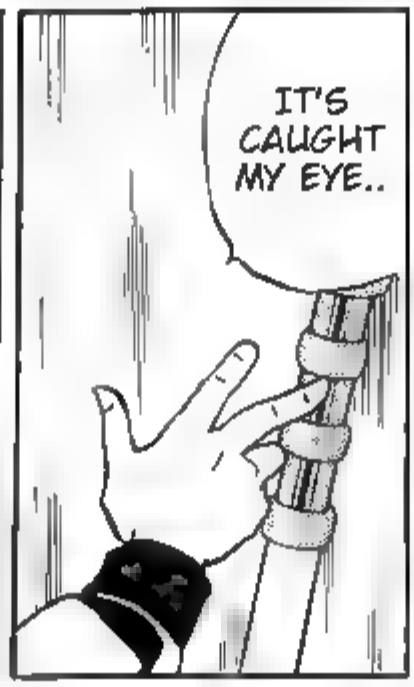
SHINIGAMI CHARMS

WHAT WAS THAT..? AS IF SOMETHING WAS CALLING TO ME..

SHINIGAMI SCYTHES !?



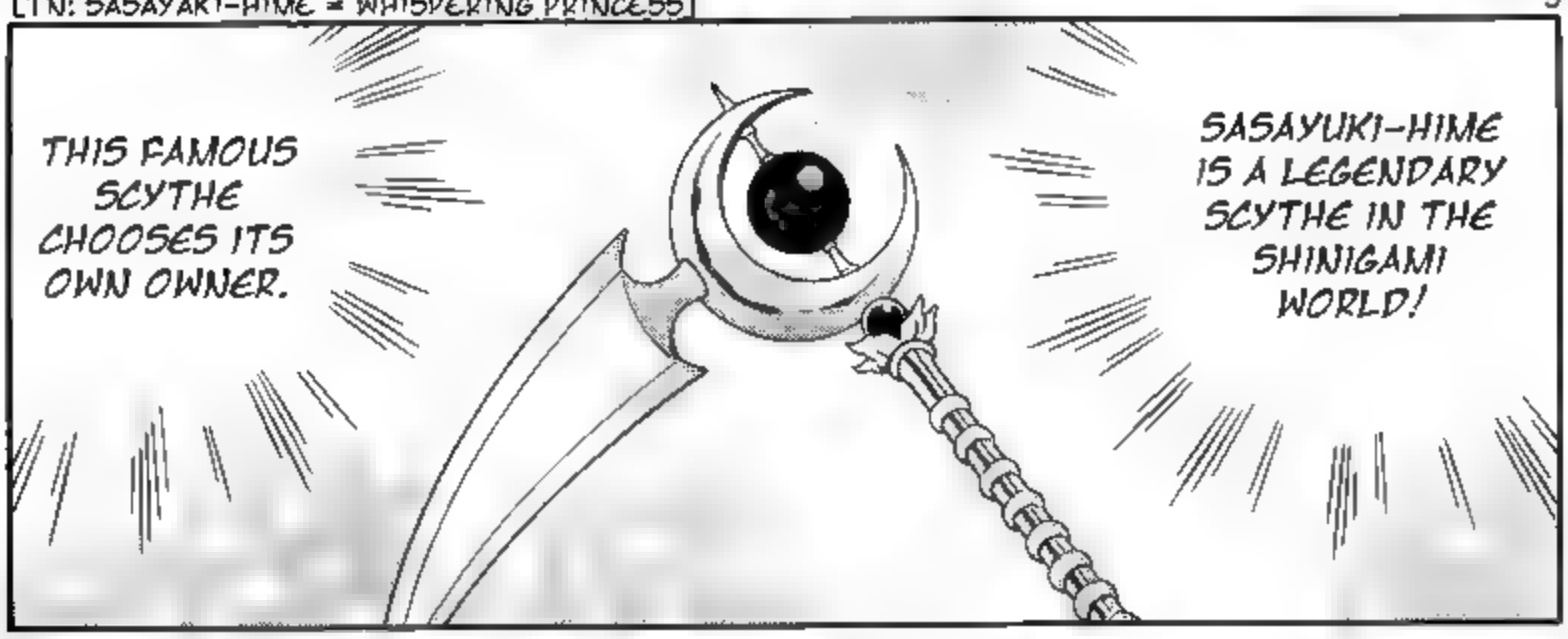

"GRAB"


IT'S CAUGHT MY EYE..

YEAH, BUT STILL..
IT'S LIKE TOTALLY COVERED IN RUST..

!

[TN: SASAYAKI-HIME = WHISPERING PRINCESS]



NOT ONLY THAT, BUT THE PRICE IS 90% OFF, ONLY ¥3,000!?

WHAT!? THAT'S THE LEGENDARY SCYTHE, SASAYAKI-HIME!?

THOU ARE DESTINED TO BE MY MASTER

ONCE IT MEETS THE OWNER IT HAS CHOSEN,

IT WILL WHISPER TO HIM.

THIS IS MY DESTINY.

MIFFED

DAMN YOU..

AN INSTANT BUY!

CRASH

THUD

RATTLE

6

HMPH.

THOU ARE DESTINED TO BE MY MASTER

"BANG" "BANG" "BANG" "DUMP" "BANG" "POW" "POW" "POW" "POW" "POW"

FIRE-CRACKERS !?

TA-DA!

WH-WHAT!?

THE SCYTHE CHOSE ROKUDOU RINNE!?

"CRACKLE" "CRACKLE"

GOOD JOB, SUZU!

OH YEAH!

7

HMPH, YOU'LL GIVE ME A BAD REPUTATION SAYING THAT, SUZU.

WE COULD MAKE A FORTUNE BY RESELLING AT A HIGHER PRICE, KAIN-SAMA.

WILL YOU REALLY BE ABLE TO FORK OVER THE REGULAR PRICE OF ¥30,000?

BUT RINNE,

ALAS, I'VE GONE PRIVATE.

AND YOU'RE REALLY A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL?

8

A BITTERSWEET FEELING IS WASHING OVER ME!

WHAT IS THIS SENSATION..

CLENCH

キィーン

WHA..

THE TRUTH IS

YOU ARE TRULY DESTINED TO BECOME MY MASTER

AH, WELCOME.

I'LL TAKE IT!

"SLAM"

"SAILING BY"

"CRUSHED"

"GRAB"

I'LL PAY THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED YEN!

WAIT!

9

PLEASE CHECK THE PRICING TAG CAREFULLY.

SURELY THE FIRST PERSON TO PAY ¥3,000 GETS IT?

THIS ISN'T RIGHT!

EH!?

IN THAT CASE, I'LL PAY ¥3,600!

90%OFF
¥3000
OR HIGHEST BIDDER

¥3,000.. OR HIGHEST BIDDER!?

AS FOR RINNE-SAMA..

AND KAIN-SAMA IS SO BROKE..

IT'S STEADILY GOING UP IN PRICE..

ANTIQUES BOUGHT

SWD- rds 50% off

¥4,500!!

¥4,000!

AN AUCTION !?

IS THE SASAYUKI-HIME ABLE TO CAUSE THIS!?

SOMEHOW THIS ORIGINALLY TIGHT-FISTED PAIR HAS ENDED UP COMPETING.

10

CANNON

¥30,000, YOU STUPID SCUM!!

"WHOOSH"

I'LL PAY THE RETAIL PRICE OF ¥30,000!

YES.

¥30,000, YOU SAY?

RIGHT AND LEFT FROM THE MIKAZUKI STORE!?

WHA..

11

WE'VE COME TO BUY IT BACK.

THE MYSTERIOUS SASAYUKI-HIME WAS FORGED BY THE THIRD GENERATION MIKAZUKI MASTER.

I EXPECT RINNE-SAMA WILL GIVE UP IF IT'S AS HIGH AS ¥30,000.

"PHEW"...

IF THAT'S THE CASE, I'M GLAD..

THEY'RE OFF TO SEE A LOAN SHARK.

キャッシング ローン

誰でもお気軽に♥

"RUNNING"

あたたたた

AAARGH!!

HUZZAH!

"WHAM"

ドカ

CUT IT OUT!!

火鼠

"WIGGLING"

爆薬 鼬売り

食い ¥200 ?

12

30 YEARS.

"TRANSFORMS"

ぎゅん

A 30 YEAR LOAN!

IN THAT CASE, I WANT A LOAN!

"WHOOSH"

CURSE YOU, ROKUDOU RINNE!

"CHASE"

I GOT IT!

"DASH"

..BUT WE HAVEN'T EVEN PAID AT THE REGISTER YET.

HE RAN OFF WITH IT.

キャシング

くろい鎌

THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO KNOW, STUPID SCUM!

JUST WHAT HAPPENED HERE?

大鎌針

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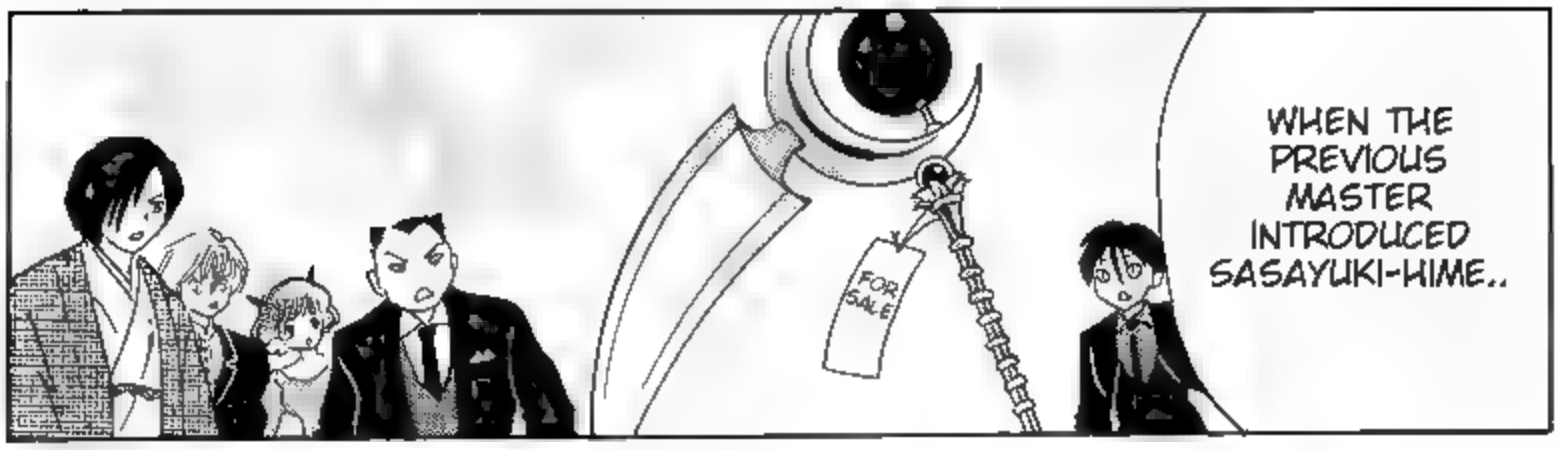
RIGHT. WE ONLY KNOW ABOUT HOW SASAYUKI-HIME CHOOSES HER OWNER..

THE MANUAL FOR SASAYUKI-HIME MOSTLY DOESN'T EXIST ANYMORE.


FOR SALE
WHEN THE PREVIOUS MASTER INTRODUCED SASAYUKI-HIME..

Mugged
EVENTUALLY SHINIGAMI COMRADES WOULD END UP FIGHTING OVER IT.
THE PRICE ROSE DUE TO EACH SHINIGAMI WHO THOUGHT HE WAS THE DESTINED MASTER..

IT'S A COMPLETELY CURSED SCYTHE.
AND THEN WITHOUT BEING NOTICED IT ENDS UP GOING MISSING.

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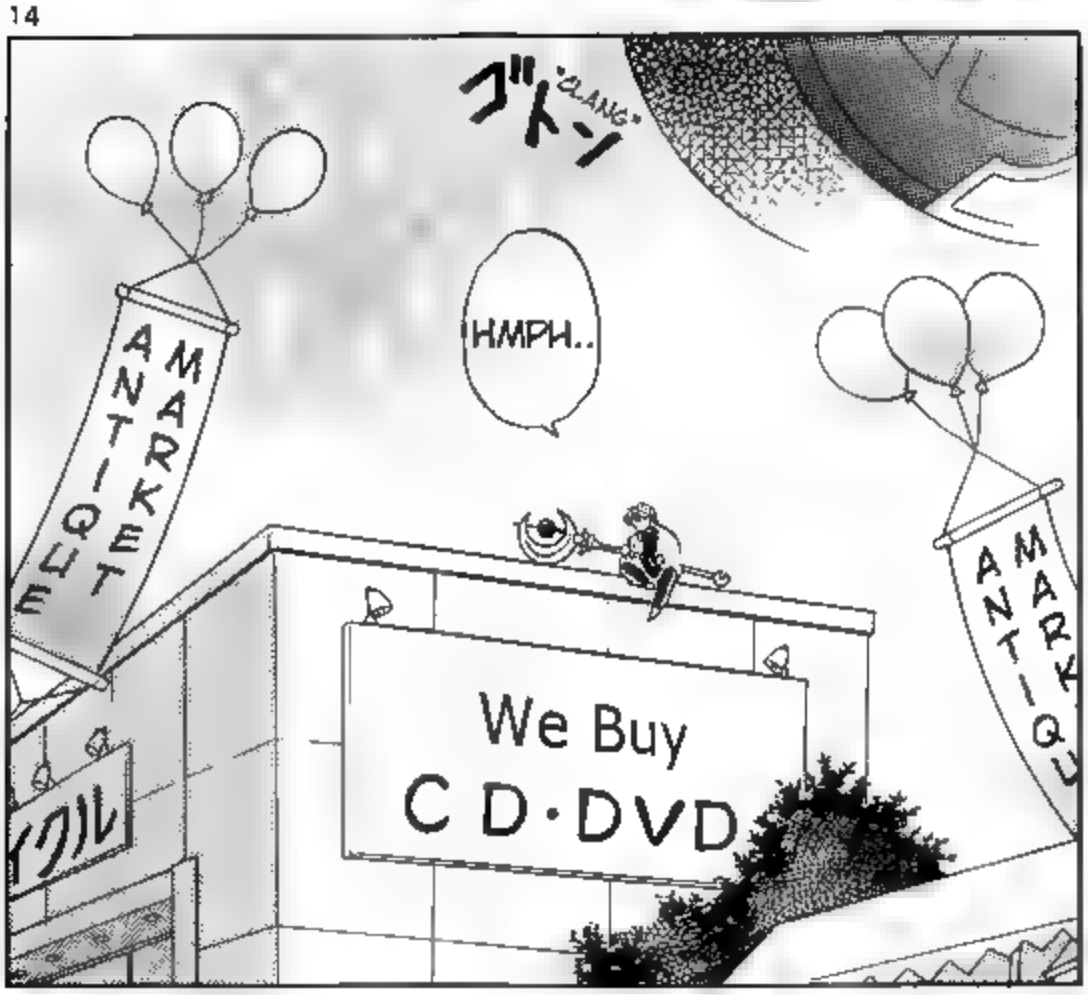
ゴトン "CLANG"
HMPH..
We Buy
C D・DVD

RINNE-SAMA!
BU-BUT THAT'S..

IT'S ALMOST LIKE LOVE!

AH.. A WARM FEELING IS FILLING UP MY HEART.

I HAVE A REQUEST OF THOL..

TO MY DESTINED PERSON

15

AND YET ONE MORE REQUEST

NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, YOU'RE COVERED IN RUST.

UNTIL I'M BEAUTI-FUL

SHARPEN ME

WHAT IS IT, SASAYUKI-HIME?

YES..?

OFFICIAL MIKAZUKI STORE BRAND SCYTHE WAX

I MUST BE POLISHED WITH

"STOMP"

DAMN YOU, ROKUDOU RINNE!

"WHIRLING"

AH..

All affection instantly gone.

"SIGH"

THOU ART DESTINED TO BE MY MASTER

はっ *GASP*...

WHIRLING ひゅるるる

STAB メリ

BACKING AWAY こそっ

NO, IT WAS ME!

I'M THE ONE IT WAS CALLING TO!

THAT'S MINE!

THWACK みし

BUY IT BACK SOON.

WHAT SHOULD WE DO..?

GRR ぐぐぐ

AH, THEY'RE FIGHTING OVER SASAYUKI-HIME AGAIN.

INSIDE IS A SPEAKER THAT IT USES TO WHISPER TO PASSING SHINIGAMI.

SASAYUKI-HIME IS A LEGENDARY SCYTHE IN THE SHINIGAMI WORLD.

THIS'LL BE A GREAT ADVERT FOR OUR WAX!

AND THEN IT EMITS A PHEROMONE TO TEMPT SHINIGAMI.

SEND IT BACK.

APPEARS...

ASSEMBLY REQUIRED

THE MIKAZUKI STORE SENT US THIS MASS-PRODUCED SASAYUKI-HIME SAMPLE.

18

HAVEN'T WE BOUGHT TOO MUCH WAX?

POLISH ME

I WON IT IN AN AUCTION FOR ONLY ¥500,000.

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CHAPTER 142

THE BREAKUP SET

FORTUNE TELLER

HMM, SO YOUR LOVE LIFE ISN'T GOING WELL?

おでん

WHEN YOU ARE WITH HIM..

I CAN SEE..

I'M WONDERING WHY.

A DARK SHADOW FALLS..

YES, SOMETHING GETS IN YOUR WAY..

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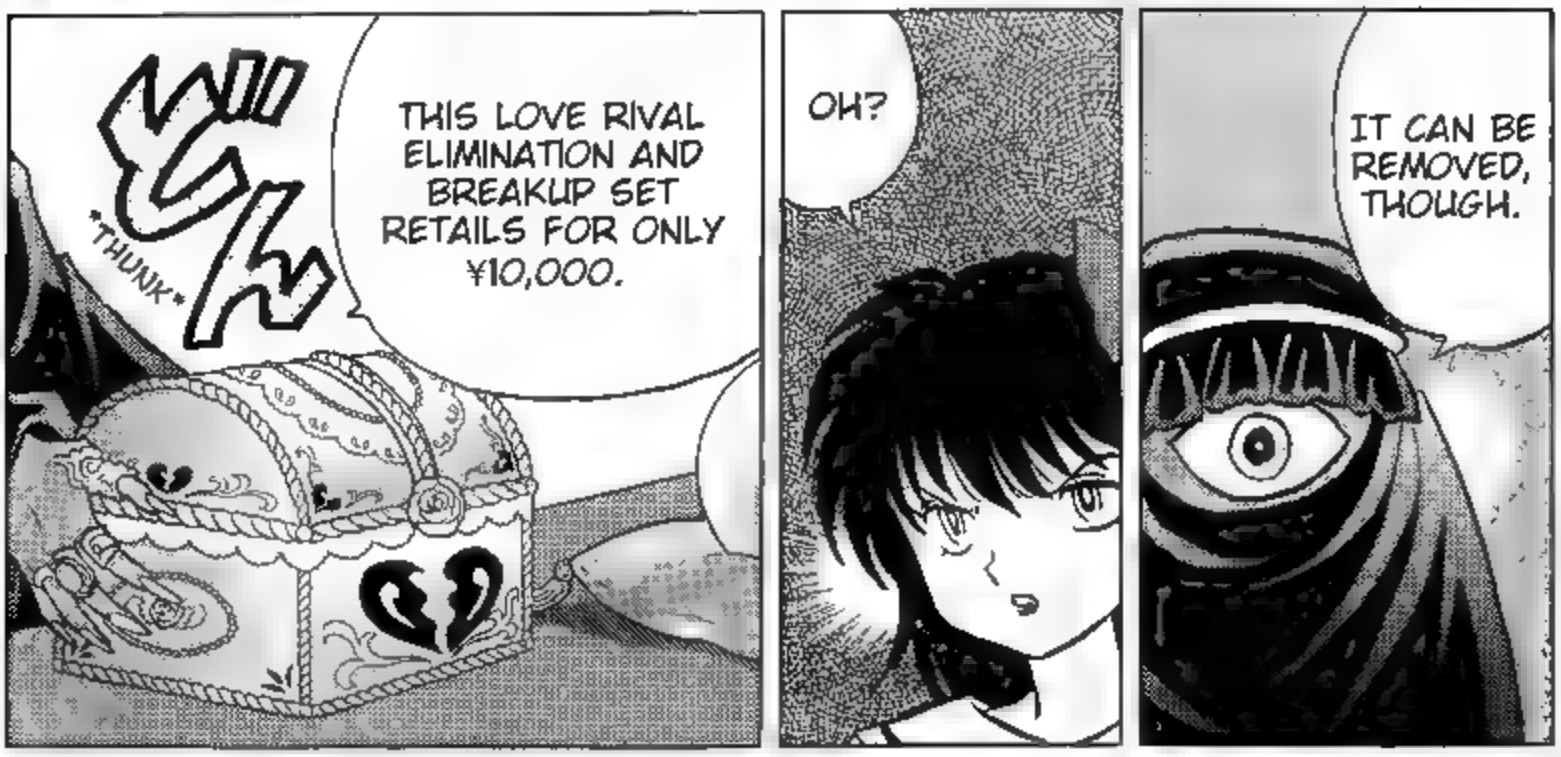
ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT A RIVAL IN LOVE?

OH!

GLARE


"THUNK"
THIS LOVE RIVAL ELIMINATION AND BREAKUP SET RETAILS FOR ONLY ¥10,000.
OH?
IT CAN BE REMOVED, THOUGH.
DISASTER WILL FALL SHOULD YOU CURSE THE WRONG PERSON WITH THIS SET..
BEWARE, THOUGH..
I DON'T HAVE TO RELY ON THAT WHEN I HAVE MY BEAUTY..
YOU MUST THINK I'M SIMPLE.
HAH.

YOU DON'T NEED IT?
WHY ARE YOU STILL EXPLAINING?

3

BEWARE.. DISASTER WILL FALL SHOULD YOU CURSE THE WRONG PERSON.
THEN I'LL SAY IT AGAIN.
FWIP
OF COURSE I'LL BUY IT.

ALWAYS GETTING IN THE WAY OF ME AND RINNE..

"ZOOM"

FU FU FU.. JUST WAIT TILL YOU SEE THIS, SAKURA..

YOU'VE DEFINITELY GOT IT COMING, TODAY!

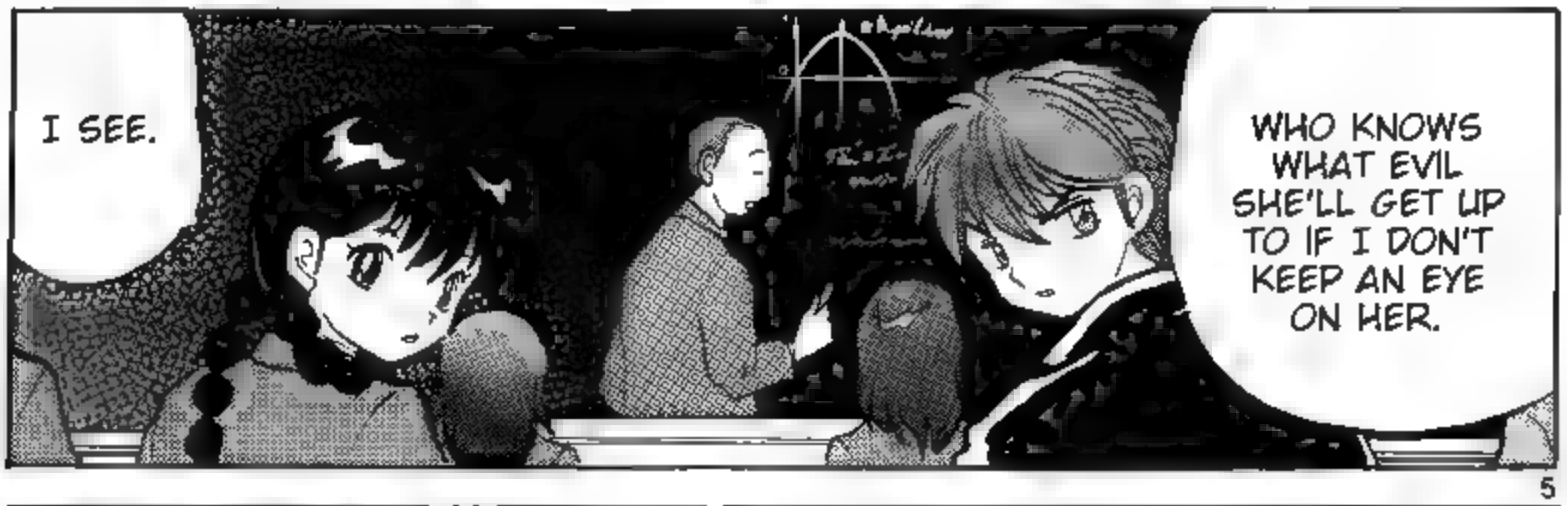
THIS ISN'T LIKE YOU, ROKUDOU-KUN.

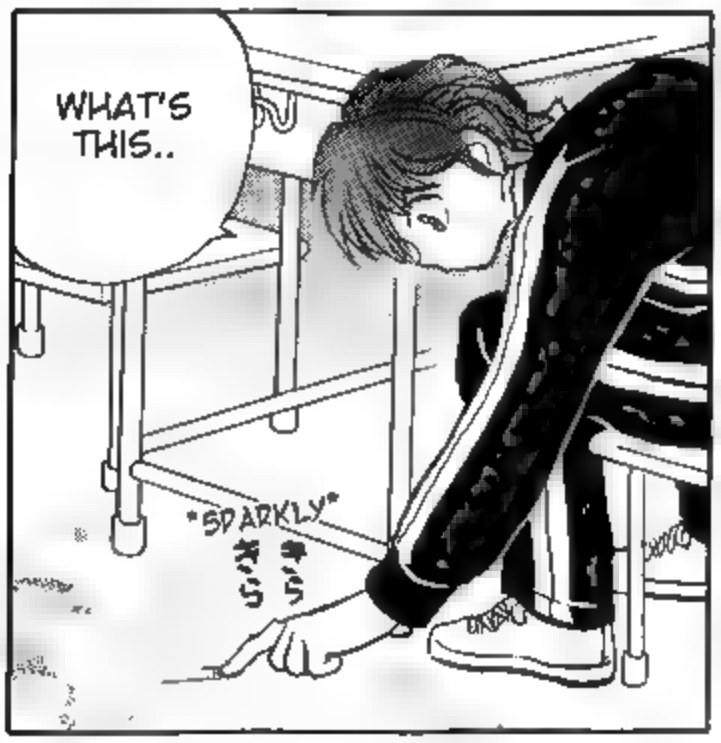
4

IT'S BECAUSE *SHE'S* HERE.

TURNING UP FOR MORNING CLASSES.

THE DAMASHIGAMI RENGE..





"FOOM"

AND THEN USE DRAGON'S FLAME.

"SHOOM"

Regular people can't see the Shinigami Ageha.

"JIBBER-JABBER"

"MURMURS"

ROKUDOU IS BURNING!

6

"SHOVING"

GET LOST.

"IMPATIENTLY"

OH, RINNE NOW YOUR LOVE WILL BURN FOR ME!

SHUT IT JUUMONJI, THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU.
AND WHAT'S WITH THAT SUSPICIOUS BOX?
SO WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?
IT'S HAVING ABSOLUTELY ZERO EFFECT.
THAT'S ODD. THE BREAKUP SET..
7
!
THOSE TOOLS ARE CRYING.
STILL AS IRRESPONSIBLE AS EVER, I SEE.

YOU DIDN'T READ THE MANUAL PROPERLY, DID YOU STUPID AGEHA?

RENGE..!?

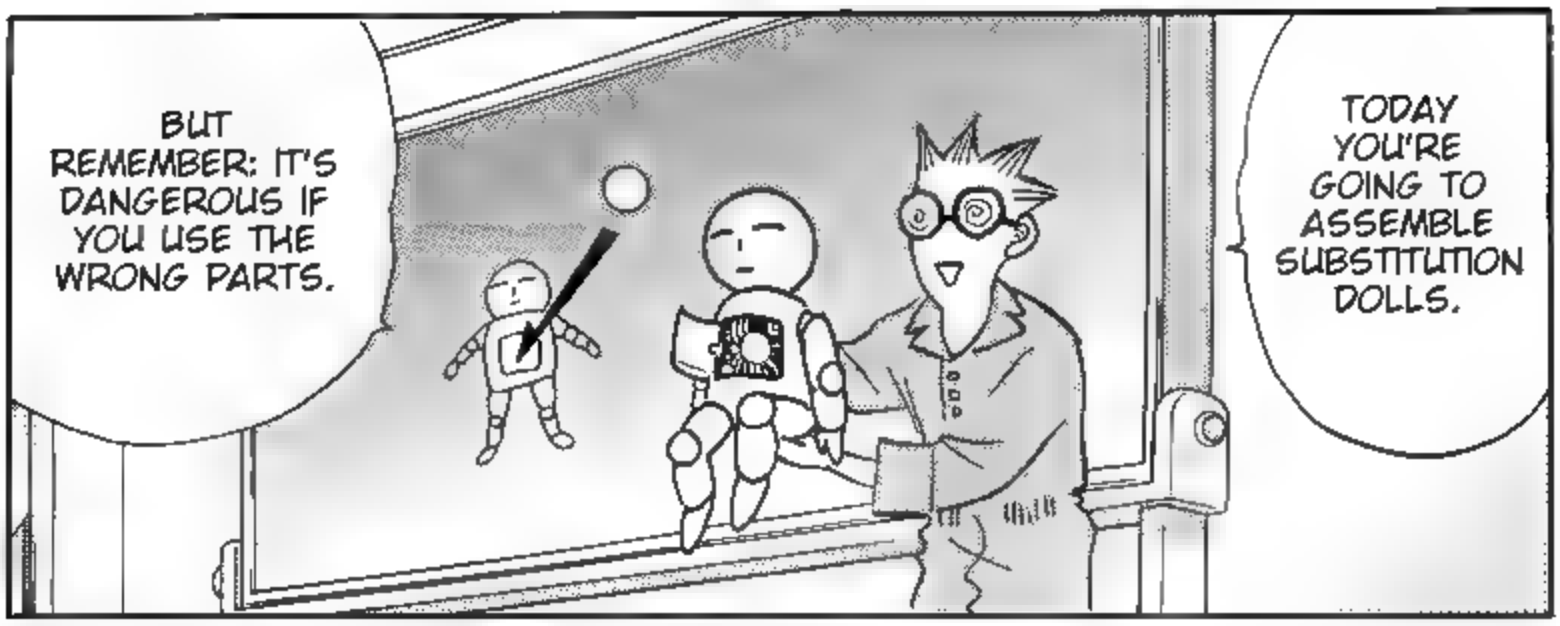
THEY KNOW EACH OTHER?

EH? THOSE TWO..

OK, LET'S DO SOME EXPERIMENTS.

Years ago, at Shinigami Elementary School

BUT REMEMBER: IT'S DANGEROUS IF YOU USE THE WRONG AMOUNT OF CHEMICALS.
WE'RE GOING TO PREPARE SOME EXORCISING MEDICINE TODAY.
WE WERE IN THE SAME GROUP.
YES, MISS!
SO PLEASE MEASURE THEM CAREFULLY.
IT'S JUST LIKE THIS, RIGHT?
"GLOOP"
I KNOW WHAT I'M DOING.
MEASURE THEM PROPERLY, AGEHA-CHAN!
"KYAA!"
"WAHHH!"
"BOING"
"OOGA BOOGA"
AAARGH, EVIL SPIRITS!

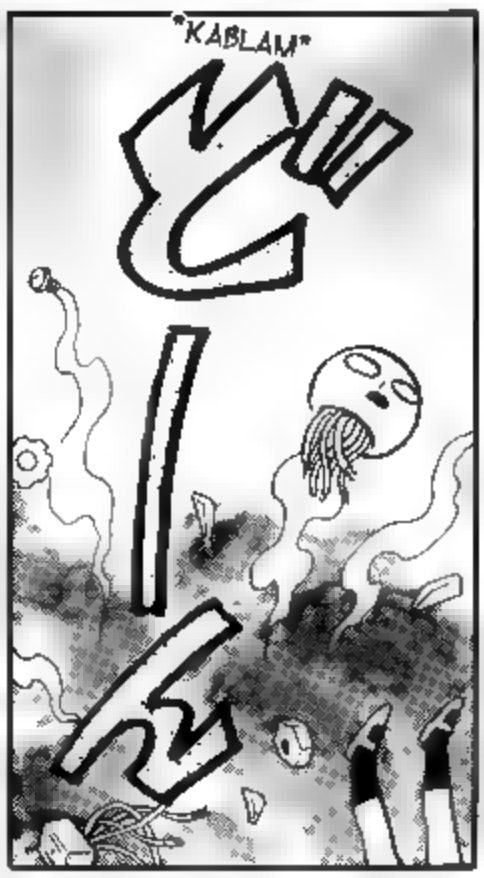

BUT REMEMBER: IT'S DANGEROUS IF YOU USE THE WRONG PARTS.
TODAY YOU'RE GOING TO ASSEMBLE SUBSTITUTION DOLLS.

EH?
JUST SHOVE IT IN HERE.
GRIP
ZAP
ばっ

I KNOW WHAT I'M DOING.
DON'T MESS UP, AGEHA-CHAN.
SO, PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.
説明書

LET'S GO BACK TO MY PLACE FOR VIDEO GAMES AND SNACKS!

STUPID BUT RICH AGEHA..
ALWAYS SURR-OUNDED BY HER CLASS-MATES.


KABLAM

RIGHT.
HUH.
SINCE WAY BACK, RENGE WOULD ALWAYS FIND SOME REASON TO LOOK DOWN ON ME.
IF YOU PLAY WITH AGEHA-CHAN, YOU'LL CATCH HER STUPIDITY.
I'M NOT GOING.
IT'S FABULOUS AT AGEHA-CHAN'S HOUSE.
COME WITH US, RENGE-CHAN.
HE'S WRONG?
YEAH, WELL, YOU'RE WRONG.
HAVING HEARD THAT STORY JUST NOW, I'D SAY YOU'RE PRETTY STUPID.
IT WASN'T JUST FOR "SOME REASON", WAS IT?

11

JUST HOW DID YOU END UP IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?
BUT NEVER MIND THAT. TELL ME, SUPER-CLEVER RENGE WHO WAS POSITIVELY, DEFINITELY GOING TO THE ELITE SHINIGAMI HIGH SCHOOL..
RENGE IS JUST BITTER 'CAUSE SHE'S POOR.
NO, IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE STUPID.

I HEARD A RUMOR THAT INSTEAD OF MAKING IT INTO THE SHINIGAMI ELITE HIGH SCHOOL, YOU ENDED UP AT THE DAMASHIGAMI GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL!

BUT OH NO, NOT HONOR STUDENT RENGE.

THAT WOULD NEVER HAPPEN TO HER!

GRRR...

Ageha's big sis

Rinne's old man

Private secretary

Company president

NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT...

ISN'T YOUR IDIOT OLDER SISTER THE PRIVATE SECRETARY TO THE DAMASHIGAMI COMPANY PRESIDENT?

SUCH A DISGRACE WOULD BE UNTHINKABLE ...

"HEH"

12

"RUSH"

SHUT YOUR STINKING DAMASHIGAMI HOLE!

Rinne's father is deeply responsible for the misfortune in both Ageha and Renge's lives.

"SNEAKING AWAY" こそこそ

LET'S GO HOME.

PAUPER!

"CLASHING"

IDIOT!

13

AGEHA OF ALL PEOPLE SAW HOW FAR I'VE NOW SUNK...

I'M MAD...

DAMN IT...

HUH?

I FOUND THIS IN THE COURTYARD.

RENGE-SAMA, HERE...

A BREAKUP SET!?

JOLT

WE CAN GET SOME MONEY FOR LIVING EXPENSES.

OK, I'LL JUST SELL THIS BREAKUP SET.

JUST GET RID OF THAT THING.

RENGE MUST HAVE LEFT IT BEHIND.

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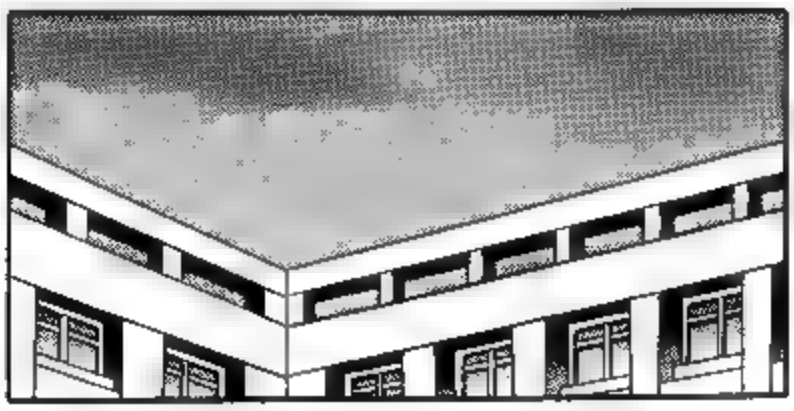
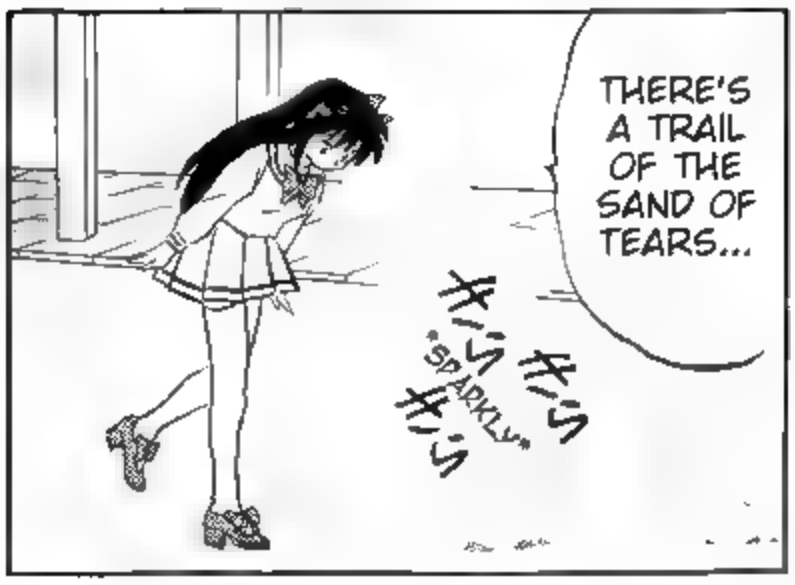
SO THAT MUST MEAN THAT DAMN AGEHA...

A BREAKUP SET IS A SHINIGAMI TOOL USED TO ELIMINATE A LOVE RIVAL...



AND I PAID SO MUCH FOR IT, AS WELL...
IT'S NOT HERE!
NOPE!

HUH?
"SPARKLY"
キラ…


THERE'S A TRAIL OF THE SAND OF TEARS...
キラ
キラ
"SPARKLY"
キラ

SHE MUST LIKE ROKUDOU RINNE!
"EVIL SMIRK"

15

PARDON MY INTRUSION.

ちゃっ

RINNE-SAMA!

ARGH!

"FALLS"

A SPIRIT ROAD MAGIC MARKER?

EH?

"SQUEEK"

きゅきゅきゅ

"SQUEEK"

16

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"SPARKLY"

きらきら

IT LEADS TO THE ROOM BESIDE RINNE'S...?

HO HO HO HO.

JUST WHAT ARE YOU PLAYING AT?

APPEARS

みょ〜

WHUMP

どすっ

SQUEAK

ぎしっ

EH...?

CREAK

ぬやっ

SHOVE

ぐぃーっ

OH, HOW EMBARRASSING!

RENGE, YOU LITTLE...

"DEATH GLARE"

I'M NOT SURE, BUT I THINK YOU FORGOT THIS.

HERE.

ABOUT WHAT?

I GUESS YOU FOUND OUT ABOUT US.

OH MY.

"SITS UP"

HAH, HOW AMUSING.

DISASTER WILL FALL IF YOU CURSE THE WRONG PERSON WITH THE BREAKUP SET...

18

WELL AGEHA, JUST YOU TRY AND CURSE ME!

"PURE RAGE"

OI.

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CHAPTER 143

THE FALSE COUPLE

PURE RAGE

I DON'T KNOW WHAT PLAYING AT BY SEDUCING MY RINNE, BUT...

RENGE...

OH NO.

THIS JUST HAPPENED NATURALLY.

OH REALLY.

2

CLATTER *BANG* どばたっ

I GUESS SOME-ONE'S MOVING IN.

IT'S PRETTY NOISY NEXT DOOR.

FRUIT...
ゴロ ゴロ
"ROLLING"
ちゃ
"SLIDES DOOR OPEN"
"THUD"
ARRGH!
OH NO!
ゴロ ゴロ
"ROLLING"

OH, FORGIVE ME.
キラ キラ キラーン
"SPARKLING"
はっ...
"GASP"

I'LL DEPEND ON YOUR KINDNESS.
YOU... ARE YOU MOVING IN NEXT DOOR?

FROM NOW ON, I'M GOING TO USE ANY EXCUSE TO VISIT HER!

OH YEAH! THERE'S A COMPLETE BABE MOVING IN NEXT DOOR!

YOU GO, RINNE-SAMA!

ASIDE FROM THE FACT THAT IT'S COMPLETELY UNTRUE, WHY TELL IT FROM MY POINT OF VIEW?

OI,

...AND THAT'S WHAT HAP-PENED.

4

BUT COME ON, AS IF RENGE AND I WOULD...

AGEHA, THERE'S NO REASON FOR ME TO EXPLAIN MYSELF TO YOU,

THERE'S SOMETHING WEIRD ABOUT THAT SWORD!

"UNSHEATHING"
ずずず

"CHANTING"
ごごご

GAH!

"SHRIEK!"

HAI-YAH!

"STRUGGLING"

OI! AT LEAST DO THE CURSE PROPERLY!

A DIRECT ATTACK!

WHEN MY TARGET IS RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME...

GRRR

"STRUGGLING"

6

GO ON, STRIKE DOWN!!

BUT THE TRUTH IS, WE AREN'T REALLY DATING!!

Point of Separation

MEN

WOMEN

SWINGING WILDLY

TO HELL WITH FOLLOWING THE MANUAL!!

KYAAA!

GRAZE

HIDING

7

SHE CAN'T DO ANYTHING RIGHT.

DAMN THIS GIRL,

IT'S NO GOOD, WORDS WON'T REACH HER NOW.

I WASN'T PROTECTING HER!

WHY WOULD YOU PROTECT SUCH A GIRL!?

RINNE,

"CLASP"

RUN FOR IT!

"DASH"

YOUR BACKS ARE EXPOSED!

"GLINT"

8

HIYAH!

"OOF"

"CLANG"

FINALLY!

Separation Point

MEN

WOMEN

NOW DISASTER WILL FALL UPON AGEHA!

キラ～ "SHINE"

WHAT...?

"GATHERING ENERGY"

"WARPING"

UM UM UM

!?

"SLAM"

すうっ
"SIGH"
DON'T TELL ME THIS TUB IS...

"CLANG"
"ROLLING"
"WHUMP"
ぱた

"THUNK"
ぱたん
災
-THE DISASTER ...?

[TN: 災 = DISASTER]

OH DEAR, BARGING INTO A GIRLS ROOM...?
ROKUDOU -KUN...
OH, YOU'RE HERE RINNE-SAMA.
がちゃ
"DOOR OPENING"

11

YOU NEED TO GO HOME NOW. GO ON, SCRAM.
YES,
AS IF I'D FORCE MY WAY INTO A GIRLS ROOM.

"WHUMP"

"SWISH"

MAY THIS CURSE EXTINGUISH THEIR FLAMES OF LOVE.

"DID"

HUH?

12

"SWISH"

FLAMES OF LOVE!?

EH!?

[TN: 水 = WATER]

"SPLASH"
びじゃ
"SPRAYING"
"SPLASH"
びじゃ
びじゃ
"SPLASH"
"SPLAT" "SPLAT"
ばば

DID SHE MEAN ROKUDOU AND RENGE!?
FLAMES OF LOVE...
"SPLASHING"
びじょじょじょ

WATCH OUT, MAMIYA SAKURA!
"SPLASHING"
ざしゃしゃ
WATER!

I BOUGHT THAT FURNITURE WITH A LOAN...
"SOAKED"
ぐっちょり

どすっ

SLAM

YOU STUPID GIRL!

SMIRK

YOUR FLAMES OF LOVE ARE TOTALLY EXTIN-GUISHED.

HUH?

DIDN'T YOU NOTICE ANYTHING ODD ABOUT THAT TUB, BEFORE?

FLOUR!?

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BILLOWING

VEINS POPPING

GRRR.

FWOOSH

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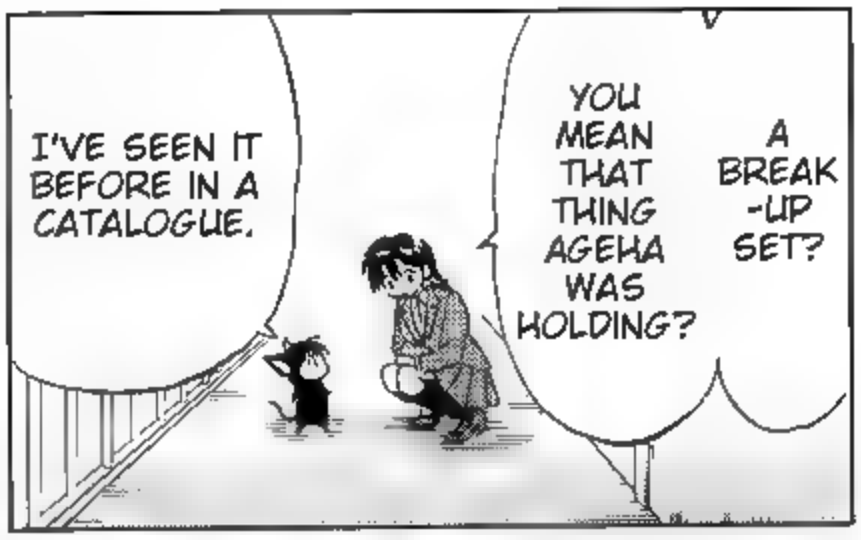

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[TN: 罵 = INSULT]

GATHERING ENERGY

HMPH.

HUH!?

SHE ALLOWED THE CURSED DIRTY WORD MASK TO BE PUT ON HER!?

SHE'S NOT SO DIFFERENT FROM USUAL...

YOUR AWFUL PERSONALITY JUST DOESN'T QUIT.

IDIOT. SCUM.

AS THINGS STAND, WE'LL END UP FACE TO FACE IN THE BOTTOM OF HELL. YOU FILTHY STINKING LITTLE PIG.

GRRR

16

GATHERING ENERGY

HO HO HO HO. GO ON AND INSULT ON ANOTHER.

I'LL MAKE ALL THE DISASTER HAPPEN TO AGEHA!

THE DISASTER, OBVIOUSLY!
HUH? WHAT WAS THAT!?

AH!
"RUSH"

"THUNDER"
"ZAP"

17

AS IF I'D LET YOU GET AWAY!
"ZOOM"

HUH...

IT'S A NOTE FROM BREAKUP SET.

TINY

IF THIS ERROR HAPPENS 5 TIMES IN A ROW...

Important Note

THE INITIAL DISASTERS MAY AFFECT THE PURCHASER.

HMM?

FLUTTER

IN OTHER WORDS, THE DISASTER WILL AFFECT ALL THREE OF THEM.

WHAT!?

A HUGE DISASTER WILL FALL UPON EVERYONE INVOLVED, SO PLEASE USE CAUTION.

YOU'RE A REAL PIECE OF WORK.

HAH, GO ON, USE THEM.

I'VE STILL GOT PLENTY MORE ITEMS TO USE IN HERE!

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CHAPTER 144

THE GOD OF SEPARATION

However, when used to curse two people who aren't actually dating, disaster instead falls upon the breakup set owner (ie Ageha). This is a truly dreadful set of items!

Wanting to split up Rinne and Sakura, the Shinigami Ageha bought a breakup set.

-ZOOOOM-

AGEHA~

-ZOOM-

MAMIYA SAKURA!

2

YEAH, SO GO HOME!

SOMETHING AWFUL WILL HAPPEN TO YOU IF YOU GET INVOLVED!

STAY BACK, MAMIYA SAKURA.

HUH.

THIS REALLY IS A LOVE TRIANGLE.

ぷんぷん ANGRY

THIS IS JUST BETWEEN ME, RINNE AND AGEHA!

I'M ONLY DOING THIS SHAMEFUL THING SO MAMIYA SAKURA WON'T BE ATTACKED.

UGH, THIS IS A HORRIBLE MISUNDER-STANDING.

"EXPANDING" むくむくむく

"APPEARS" ぽこ

A BALLOON !?

"TOSS" ひょい

HUH?

HAH

THAT BALLOON RELEASES AN EXPLOSION OF DISCONTENT TOWARDS ONE OTHER!

"BOOM"

AARGH!

JUST A REGULAR EXPLOSION.

...HANG ON, WASN'T THAT...

4

DISAS-TER!

SMASH

FALLING

SHINE

RUMBLING

HUH!?

OUT COLD

OH DEAR.

COUGH けほ

HUH?

HUH?

HERE.

TINY ちいさい

YOU HAVEN'T EVEN USED THE WHOLE SET YET, HAVE YOU?

SHAKE ガレ

COME ON, WAKE UP AGEHA!

SHAKE ガレ *SHAKE* ガレ

5

IF THE INITIAL DISASTERS END UP FALLING UPON THE SET OWNER...

VERY IMPORTANT WARNING...

I GUESS THAT WAS A CLOSE ONE.

HUH.

IF THIS ERROR HAPPENS FIVE TIMES IN A ROW THEN ALL CONCERNED PARTIES WILL SUFFER ENORMOUS DISASTER!?

That was the fourth!

I'M NOT SURE HOW MANY DISASTERS HAPPENED, THOUGH.

WE MADE IT JUST IN TIME.

...DESPITE ALL THIS, YOU'RE STILL SO CALM, MAMIYA SAKURA.

NO, THIS IS OBVIOUSLY YOUR FAULT.

NOW THE CURSE AFFECTS ME TOO THANKS TO THAT STUPID GIRL.

HOW AWFUL!

"STAGGER" ...ωα

6

SO MAYBE ...

EVEN THOUGH RINNE FLED WITH RENGE, YOU DIDN'T EVEN GET FLUSTERED.

I'VE GOT TO KNOW WHICH IT IS!

OR YOU TRUST HIM COMPLETELY.

YOU DON'T HAVE ANY INTEREST IN ROKUDOU. EITHER THAT...

THEN TAKE THE EMA..

LOVE FULFILLMENT

AND ATTACH THIS CORD TO IT...

すっ "PLINK"

DRAW AN "EMA" SHAPE AROUND THE TWO OF THEM.

HUH?

カキカキ "SCRIBBLE"

[TN: EMA=A WOODEN BLOCK THAT WISHES ARE WRITTEN ON]

"DOW"

OI.

THEN SHATTER IT!

WHAT ARE YOU PLAYING AT?

"CLENCH"

NOTHING.

JUST USING AN EMA TO BREAK YOU TWO UP, LIKE THE MANUAL SAYS.

"SNATCH"

ARE YOU AN IDIOT?

HUMANS CAN'T USE THESE TOOLS.

"REFRESHED"

RENGE!

GIVE THAT BACK TO ME NOW!

SHE WOKE UP.

"CRACK"

8

HUH!?

CRACK

CRACK

CRACK

BUT THAT'S...

9

HOW MANY TIMES NOW!?

"RUMBLE"

That's the fifth time!!

10

IT'S THE HUGE DISASTER, OBVIOUSLY !!

"SLIDE"

WHAT THE HECK IS THIS!?

"SLIDE"

SAND!?

THERE'S SOMETHING AT THE BOTTOM!?
"SLAAASH"
アアアアア
"SLICE"
ガったん
"SLICE"
ガったん
!?

11

"SHARD"
"SLICE"
"SLICE"
"SLICE"
NO, IT'S SOME-THING ELSE!
AN ANTLION NEST!?

SLICE

THAT'S A DISASTER GOD...

THE GOD OF SEPARATION!

SLICE

SLIDE

ACCORDING TO THE MANUAL...

EH!? THIS IS IN THE MANUAL!?

This is the disaster god, "God of Separation"

Scissors of Separation

Cross section

God

Sand

With enormous scissors of separation, it completely severs the "En" between a man and woman. It's a truly dreadful god!

[TN: 縁 (EN) IS THE MYSTERIOUS THREAD OF FATE THAT LINKS PEOPLE TO THEIR DESTINED LOVER!]

12

HOW AWFUL...

SO IN OTHER WORDS, THEY'LL NEVER HAVE A LOVER OR GET MARRIED IN THEIR LIFETIME...?

WHY CAN'T YOU READ A MANUAL PROPERLY!?

MEH.

"SLASH"

YOU STUPID LITTLE GIRL!

"GRAB"

13

YOUR EN, HUH? WELL, ANYWAY...

DAMMIT, AS THINGS STAND MY EN WITH MAMIYA-SAN COULD BE SEVERED FOREVER!

"SHARP"

"SLICE" "SLICE"

"SLIDE"

I CAN'T LET MAMIYA SAKURA GET DRAGGED INTO THIS!

STEP ASIDE, RINNE!

"TRAMPLE"

AGEHA!?

SO SHE'S TAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR IT!?

SO THAT MEANS ...

"SHARD"

"SHARD"

THAT DISASTER GOD WAS SUMMONED FROM THE BREAKUP SET I BOUGHT,

"SLAM"

YOUR ASS BELONGS TO ME!!

WHA-

WHAT A MAGNIFICENT BUNKER-SHOT!

ずしゃあっ "SLIDE"

はしっ "GRAB"

FUFUFUFU.

"SLICE"

"SLICE"

"ZOOM"

!

HMM.

YOU KNOW FOR A PARAMECIUM-LEVEL BRAIN...

I'M GONNA SEVER YOUR EN!

"GLEAM"

RENGE!

16

"SPINNING"

DAMN!

"SLASH"

THAT'S ACTUALLY SUCH NOT A BAD IDEA!

"TUG OF WAR"

はしっ

ズ～

"SHIFTING SANDS"

ば?

"POUNCE"

"GRAB"

はしっ

THAT'S MY LINE!

"STRUGGLE"

ギリ

"STRUGGLE"

ギリギリ

LET GO OF IT, YOU!

HOLD ON TIGHT!

"STRETCHING"

RINNE!

しゅっ

"WHOOSH"

ガキン

"CLINK"

IF THIS KEEPS UP, THOSE TWO WILL END UP GETTING SWALLOWED BY THE SAND!

DAMN!

And so the two of them fell right into the middle of the sand...

THEY FELL IN!

AH.

"SLICE"

HEAVE HO!

"PULL"

18

DON'T YOU THREATEN ME!

"SLAP"

YOUR LEG IS STICKING OUT, ISN'T IT?

disappeared into the sand.

"SWIRLING DOWN"

Before long, the breakup set and scissors of separation

"CLASHING"

PAUPER!

IDIOT!

THEY'RE HOPE-LESS.

AT LEAST THEY COULD HAVE USED THE SCISSORS TO SEVER THEIR AWFUL RELATIONSHIP.

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CHAPTER 145

STIFF SHOULDERS

HOSHI-KUN IS THE ACE OF OUR BASEBALL CLUB, BUT RECENTLY HIS FORM HAS SUDDENLY DROPPED.

SO IT HAPPENED JUST AFTER AN AFTER-SCHOOL PRACTICE GAME...

HUH.

BUT I DON'T THINK IT'S JUST A REGULAR SLUMP...

YEAH. I CAN'T EXPLAIN IT SO WELL,

SANKAI

The baseball club's beautiful manager, Tachibana Remi.

IS THAT TACHIBANA-SAN, THE BASEBALL CLUB MANAGER THAT HE'S WITH?

AH, IT'S ROKUDOU-KUN.

The baseball club's 2nd year Ace, Hoshi Ryuuma.

"SHIFF"

ABOUT THEIR ACE, HOSHI-SENPAI...

HEY, DID YOU HEAR?

HUH...

HE JUST CARES ABOUT BASEBALL.

HE GETS LETTERS FROM GIRLS IN THE LOWER GRADE.

HE'S QUITE POPULAR, BUT HE ALWAYS REFUSES THEM.

RAAAARGH!

"GRAB"

OH.

4

YUP, HIS FORM IS STILL AWFUL.

I SEE.

"WHAM"

"SLIDE"

DAMMIT ...

IT'S STIFF, RIGHT?

HOSHI, IS YOUR SHOULDER STIFF!?

SO THAT MEANS IT IS STIFF, RIGHT!?

すたたた *"RUNNING AWAY"*

QUIT TALKING ABOUT STIFF SHOULDERS!!*

*JAPANESE WORDPLAY: KATAOMOI CAN MEAN EITHER STIFF SHOULDERS OR UNREQUITED LOVE.

YEAH.

ひそ *"WHISPER"*

THAT GIRL... THE ONE IN ANOTHER SCHOOL'S UNIFORM.

MAMIYA SAKURA.

ROKUDOU-KUN.

5

THAT SPIRIT...

I'M PRETTY SURE HE MUST HAVE GOT POSSESSED WHEN HE WENT TO THE OTHER SCHOOL FOR THE PRACTICE MATCH.

WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON!?

MY ARM'S AS HEAVY AS LEAD...

SOMETHING MUST HAVE CAUSED THIS, HOSHI-SENPAI.

DAMN ...

HEAVY.

COMPARED TO A NORMAL SPIRIT, SHE'S...

ず〜んん "INTENSE"

WHO ARE ...?

AH.

DID ANYTHING STRANGE HAPPEN?

ON THE DAY OF THE PRACTICE MATCH...

SANKA

REALLY ...

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I ASK HIM, HE WON'T TELL ME...

HOSHI-KUN...

ON THAT DAY, HOSHI-KUN...

IT WAS AFTER THE PRACTICE MATCH HAD FINISHED...

HE JUST STAYED AT THE BENCH FOR AGES...

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ACCORDING TO THE MANAGER,

IT WAS AFTER THEN THAT YOUR FORM CRUMBLED.

7

JUST WHAT WERE YOU DOING,

WAITING AT THE BENCH?

TWITCH

HMPH.

MAYBE YOU SHOULD JUST LET THIS GO.

DON'T YOU WORRY, IN THE NEXT MATCH I'LL DEFINITELY...

"WHOOSH"

SPIRIT BODY PAINT-BALL.

These shinigami tools add color to spirits, so ordinary people can see them too.

"SPLATTER"

Spirit body paintballs!

8

AAARGH!

"INTENSE"

I HOPE YOU CAN GET HER OFF BEFORE YOUR NEXT MATCH.

MAN-
AGER!

SANKAI

HOSHI-
KUN...

.....

WH-

WHAT
THE
HECK...?

SNUGGLE
ギュう～!

SANKAI JA

I
THOUGHT
YOU WERE
JUST
FOCUSED
ON
BASEBALL
...

YOU'VE
ALWAYS
TURNED DOWN
ALL THE
UNDERCLASS-
MEN THAT
CONFESS TO
YOU...

STAGGER
ふら...

9

THIS
IS...

MANAGER,
YOU'VE
GOT IT
WRONG!

SHE MUST
HAVE THOUGHT
SHE WAS HIS
HUMAN
GIRLFRIEND...

SANKAI

TACHI-
BANA-
SAN...

AH,

TO THINK
THAT I
WAS
WORRIED
ABOUT
YOU!

DASH
ダッ

THIS IS ALL YOUR FAULT!

YEAH, IT SEEMED LIKE A COMPLETE SHOCK TO HER.

.....

SO WHAT HAPPENED AT THE BENCH!?

HE MADE A PROMISE...

...SHE SPOKE ...

10

WAIT FOR ME.

IF WE WIN THE NEXT MATCH, THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO TELL YOU, MANAGER.

AND SO THE THING HE WAS GOING TO SAY WAS...

AH.

THIS GIRL MUST HAVE BEEN A BASEBALL MANAGER.

THE REFEREE CALLED THE MATCH OVER WHEN THE SCORE REACHED 0-53.

HE ENDED UP FALLING APART.

THE OUTCOME WAS,

HE MADE MY HEART FLUTTER WHENEVER HE LOOKED IN MY DIRECTION.

HUH.

I'LL BE WAITING!

IN THE NEXT GAME, THEY WON'T SCORE A POINT...

THE NEXT ONE!

11

AND THEN HE LOST 0-74.

AND I KEPT WAITING AND WAITING AND WAITING...

THUNK *THUNK*

AND AFTER THAT HE JUST LOST AND LOST AND LOST...

DOWN TO 9 MEN.

THE OTHER SCHOOL WERE JUST LIKE US,

BUT HOW!?

HE WON!?

UNTIL FINALLY...

WE FINALLY SNATCHED A 1-0 VICTORY!

IT SEEMS THE LUNCHES THEY ATE BEFORE THE MATCH GAVE THEM FOOD POISONING.

12

SO YOU WHACKED YOUR HEAD OFF THE ROOF.

THEN I HEARD A BIG THUD...

OH YEAH!!

I LEAPT UP FROM THE BENCH IN ECSTASY...

THE CLUB MEMBERS WERE ALL STRANGERS...

MY SURROUNDINGS HAD BECOME A BLUR...

I WAS SITTING ON THE BENCH.

THE NEXT THING I KNEW,

SO THIS LINGERING REGRET HAS KEPT HER TIED TO THE BENCH...

BEFORE HE COULD SPEAK TO HER, SHE PASSED ON...

MY UNEASE GREW, UNTIL...

DID I JUST DREAM THAT WE'D WON?

I WONDERED WHAT HER HAPPENED.

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MANAGER...

I INTENDED TO TELL YOU THIS IF I WON THE MATCH.

I'VE ALWAYS LOVED YOU, SINCE WAY BACK.

WON'T YOU GO OUT WITH ME?

SO HOSHI-SENPAI, IN OTHER WORDS YOU WERE WAITING ALONE AFTER THE MATCH AT THE BENCH TO...

DON'T TRY TO COVER THE TRUTH BY SHOUTING, HOSHI-SENPAI.

LA LA LA LA!!

SANKAI

I WAS PRACTICING TO CONFESS TO MY MANAGER, TACHIBANA-SAN.

YOU'RE RIGHT. ON THAT DAY,

WELL, AT ANY RATE...

SHE MUST HAVE MISTAKEN HOSHI-SENPAI FOR HER GUY.

UGH, MY SHOULDER FEELS HEAVY.

SO HOW DID THIS HAPPEN?

SNUGGLE

I'M NEVER LETTING GO OF THIS ARM!

THE STRENGTH OF HER FEELINGS MUST HAVE CAUSED THIS HEAVINESS...

SHE MUST HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR QUITE A LONG TIME.

I GUESS HE MUST HAVE LOOKED LIKE HOSHI-SENPAI.

AND YET SHE ENDED UP GETTING CONFUSED WITH ANOTHER GUY.

BUT STILL... SHE FELT THAT STRONGLY,

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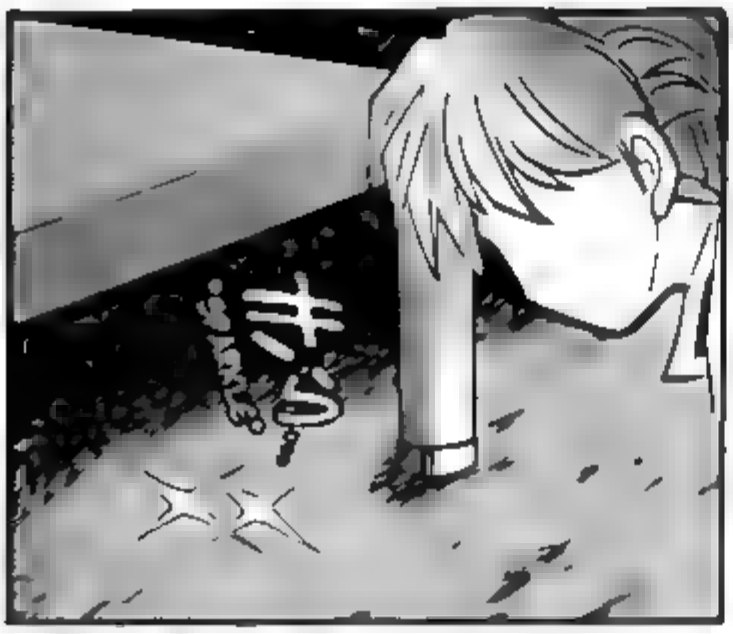
WHAT IF... HE DIDN'T LOOK LIKE HIM!?

...HOLD ON,

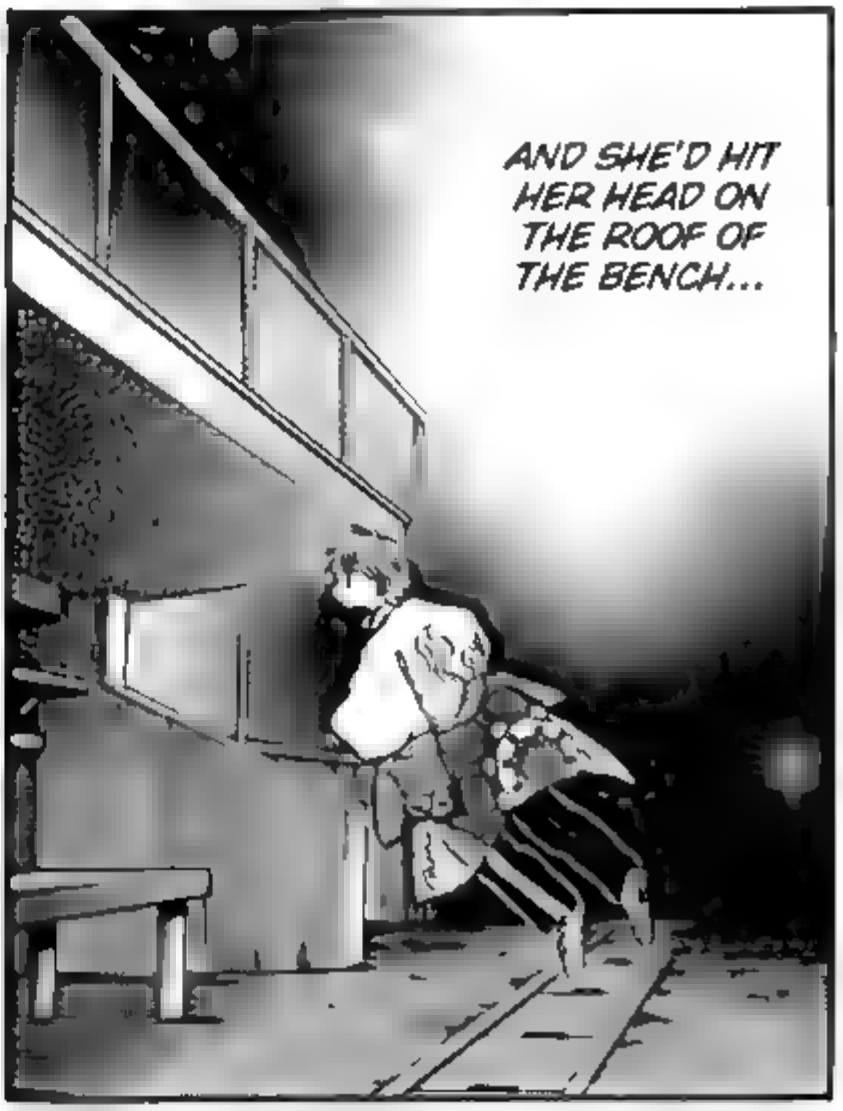
MY SURROUNDINGS HAD BECOME A BLUR...

THE NEXT THING I KNEW, I WAS SITTING ON THE BENCH.

THAT'S RIGHT, SHE SAID SO HERSELF!



AND SHE'D HIT HER HEAD ON THE ROOF OF THE BENCH...



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"WHAM"

YEAH, THEY PROBABLY POPPED OUT WHEN SHE WHACKED HER HEAD AT THE BENCH...

"PLINK"

EH...

CONTACT LENSES?

"POPPING IN"

MY SHOULD-ER'S LIGHTER!

OH!

AH, SHE LET GO.

EEK!

GAH, WHO ARE YOU!?

"BLINK" "BLINK"

17

Even now he occasionally leaves flowers for her where she used to sit.

After he graduated, he became the baseball club director.

As for the guy she had been waiting and waiting for...

THE BITTERSWEET MEMORIES OF YOUTH...

"SIGH"

THAT CAN'T BE HIM.

YOU DON'T RECOGNIZE HIM NOW, DO YOU?

I FEEL CONF-IDENT NOW.

THANKS...

PLEASE TELL HER PROPERLY HOW YOU FEEL.

DON'T KEEP THE ONE YOU LIKE WAITING...

As for Hoshi-senpai...

And so, the girl could pass on.

*UNREQUITED LOVE, SEE PAGE 5

DON'T MENTION STIFF SHOULD-ERS!!*

IS YOUR SHOULDER STIFF AGAIN!?

WHAT'S UP HOSHI,

YEAH, FROM THE SOCCER CLUB.

OH, YOU'VE GOT A BOY-FRIEND!?

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CHAPTER 108

TRACKING AND A REUNION

CLANG

At an Other World festival...

Few people know that a Yamashigami shop exists there.

The door leads under-ground.

RUSTLE

There is a secret door hidden away in a corner.

I CAN'T GO LOWER THAN THAT.

CAN'T YOU LOWER THE PRICE A BIT?

I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH.

Some thoughtless fool handed out fliers everywhere...

DAMASHIGAMI GOODS, GET EM ON SALE NOW!

How-ever...

TWITCH

Shinigami Clerk Kain, Life Administration Bureau employee

THEY'RE HERE TO ARREST EVERYONE!

IT'S THE LIFE ADMINISTRATION BUREAU!

FOOTSTEPS

A SMOKE-SCREEN!

HISS

BAH.

TOSS

HUH?

A COIN PURSE ...

"HUMMING"

DAMN, THEY ESCAPED INTO A SPIRIT ROAD...

"STEAMING"

TH-TH-THIS IS...

C- C- COULD THIS BE...

THAT DISH CALLED GYOZA...?*

*GYOZA = ALSO KNOWN AS POT-STICKERS AND CHINESE DUMPLINGS.

SHE MADE FAR TOO MUCH, SO HELP YOURSELVES ...

RECENTLY MY MOM (39) HAS A PASSION FOR MAKING GYOZA.

HUH?

ガォン ガォン ガォン

AW AW AWOOO!

THANKS FOR THE MEAL!

I HUMBLY ACCEPT THESE.

IS THIS A DREAM ...

"CHOKING UP" Ve...

"POPPING OUT"

ガォン ガォン ガォン

AWOOOO!

KAIN...

HUMMING

みょ～ん。

SNORT *SNORT*

ふぉふぉんぉん

SNORT

ふぉんふぉんん

6

SIGH

すっ。

EAGERLY

WOLFING DOWN

ばばくがふがふ

"LUCKY SAVE"
ぎり ぎり
I'M THE ONE THAT SHOULD BE SAYING THAT!
"PANTING"
WHAT ARE YOU DOING ALL OF A SUDDEN?
THIS COIN PURSE WAS DROPPED IN A DAMASHIGAMI SHOP. I TRACKED ITS SCENT DOWN TO THIS PLACE.
GO ON ROKUMON, SWALLOW HIM DOWN!
YOU'D BETTER APOLOGIZE FIRST.
ばくん
"WOLFING DOWN"
IF THAT WAS YOU IN THE SHOP, YOU'LL FACE MY WRATH!
ROKUDOU RINNE!
びっ
"DEW"

WHAT'S ALL THIS RACKET!
ばん
"SLAM"

EH?

IS THIS COIN PURSE YOURS?

DAMASHIGAMI RENGE.

¥700*...

EVERYTHING I HAVE IS IN HERE.

*ABOUT $7

THANKS A LOT!

REALLY !?

SOMEONE FOUND IT AND BROUGHT IT HERE.

!

ず

*OPENING JAWS

ARE YOU...

STRETCH

HUH!?

EH?

YOU KNOW EACH OTHER?

K-

KAIN-SENPAI...

AND YOU, SENPAI ...?

HOW HAVE YOU BEEN?

IT *IS* YOU, RENGE.

9

EH?

NO WAY.

SO IS THIS PURSE YOURS?

"CLANG" ガーン...

Two years ago, at Shinigami junior high public school

"PUNT" ばき

"SNORT" ふんふん "SNORT"

Student Council Room

EH!? YOU'RE NOT GOING ON TO HIGH SCHOOL, KAIN-SENPAI!?

Student Council President

I'VE DECIDED TO START WORKING AT THE LIFE ADMINISTRATION BUREAU.

Student Council Vice President

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AND SO...

YOU SEE, MY MOTHER WAS CONNED BY A DAMASHIGAMI AND NOW WE'RE BROKE.

PLEASE EXTERMINATE THOSE SCUM OF SOCIETY, THE DAMASHIGAMI!

YOU'RE SO WONDERFUL, KAIN-SENPAI!

ONCE I'M IN THE LIFE ADMINISTATION BUREAU, I'LL BE ABLE TO HUNT DOWN THAT ACCURSED DAMASHIGAMI!

Don't Waste Electricity!

EYES NARROWING

SCUM OF SOCIETY, HUH...?

WELL...

I'LL FILL YOU IN.

WHAT'S GOING ON?

"YOINK"

だだだだ

"DUNT"

ゴゴゴゴ

"SPLAT"

YOU'D BETTER KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT, OR ELSE.

WRINGING
ぎり ぎり ぎり

OH REALLY.

SO KAIN DOESN'T KNOW THAT YOU BECAME A DAMASHIGAMI.

UGH, ISN'T IT OB-VIOUS?

SIGH

SO YOU REMEMBERED?

POP
ちゃっ

SINCE YOU WERE SO BRILLIANT, DIDN'T YOU PLAN ON ENROLLING INTO THE ELITE SHINIGAMI HIGH SCHOOL?

THAT REMINDS ME RENGE,

12

EXTRA-CURRI-CULAR TRAIN-ING?

UMM--

SO HOW COME YOU'RE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?

THANKS!

GOOD LUCK AT THE NO.1 SHINIGAMI SCHOOL!

I SEE.

ANYWAY, I'M GLAD WE RAN INTO EACH OTHER AGAIN.

GOOD LUCK TO YOU TOO, SENPAI!

WELL,

I'D BETTER GET BACK TO TRACKING THE DAMA-SHIGAMI.

♪HUMMING♪

IN THE END, SHE CAN'T TELL HIM THE TRUTH.

HMM.

WITHER

しゅ～～

PHEW

…ふぅ

TIME TO EARN SOME CASH!

RIGHT.

"GLEAM"

YOU MEAN BY DOING DAMA-SHIGAMI WORK?

EARN CASH ...

COULD IT BE... THAT RENGE LIKES...?

OH...?

14

IN ORDER TO CONCEAL MY IDENTITY, I GAVE UP MY PURSE AND MY LAST ¥700 WITH IT!

"ZOOM"

OBVIOUSLY!

ROKUDOU-KUN.

EVEN THOUGH ¥700 IS HUGE AMOUNT OF MONEY TO HER, SHE STILL HID HER TRUE PERSONALITY...

"STEPS OUT"

KNOWING THAT, IT'S HIGHLY LIKELY

THAT SHE LIKES KAIN...

SHOULDN'T WE BE CHASING AFTER HER?

"SHOCK"

15

DAMN!

"ZOOM"

SHE LOOKED LIKE SHE WAS OUT TO MAKE A KILLING.

AH, YOU'RE RIGHT.

"HUP" "HUP" "HUP"
わっせ わっせ わっせ
"STOMP" "STOMP"
ザザザ

IT'S GONNA SWALLOW ALL THOSE CLUB MEMBERS UP IN ONE GULP!
"ZOOM"
ゴー

IT'S A SPIRIT ROAD TRAP!

"STOMP" "STOMP"
ザザ
ゴゴゴ
"BWOOP"

AS IF I'LL LET YOU STOP ME!
"CLANG"
!

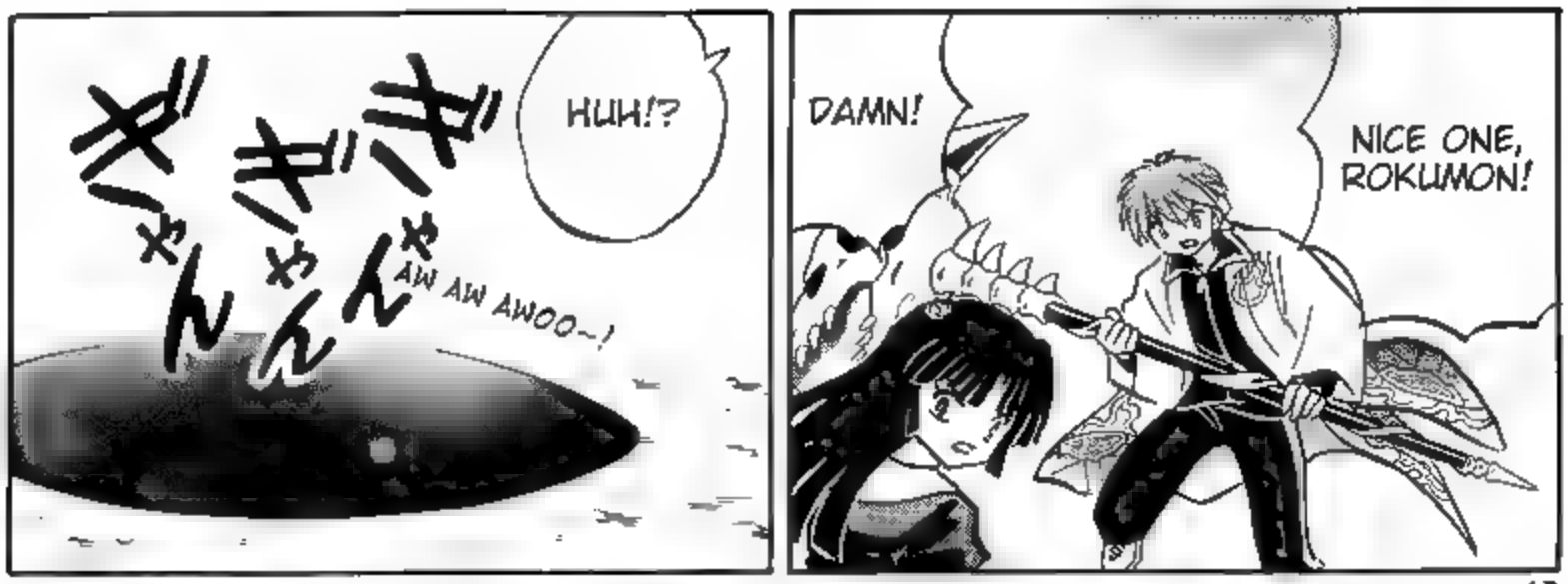
"BAKENEKO = MALEVOLENT CAT SPIRIT

"ZOOM"
ゴー
GRRAAWR!

RUN FOR IT!

IT'S THAT BAKENEKO* THAT COMES OUTTA NOWHERE!

ARGH!


HUH!?
AW AW AWOO~!
DAMN!
NICE ONE, ROKUMON!

KA-
KAIN-SEN-PAI ...
IT'S KAIN AGAIN.
JUST WHO SET THIS TRAP HERE?
"POPPING OUT"
AWOOO!

"SNORT" "SNORT" "SNORT"

HE... HE'S FIGURED IT OUT!

RENGE...!?

THIS IS DEFINITELY THE WORK OF A DAMASHIGAMI...

"CLANG"

THAT IDIOT...

PHEW

NO...

IT'S ALL OVER!

"ZIP"

I KNEW IT, YOU'RE RESPONSIBLE.

WHAT?

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CHAPTER 144

SUSPICIONS

Shinigami Junior High: Graduation Ceremony

AND GOOD LUCK TO YOU TOO WITH YOUR STUDIES, RENGE.

GOOD LUCK AT THE LIFE ADMINIS-TRATION BUREAU!

KAIN-SENPAI,

KAIN-SEN-PAI!

HEY,

IT HAS TO BE NOW!

"CLUTCH"

IF I'M GOING TO TELL HIM HOW I FEEL,

"THUMP."

"THUMP."

"THUMP."

"THUMP."

2

"MARCHING"

WE'VE ALWAYS, ALWAYS LIKED YOU!

KAIN-SENPAI~!

キャー
SQUEALING
キャー
キャー
WE'RE GONNA MISS YOU!
WHAT A BUNCH OF FILTHY SOWS...
GAH,
BUT SINCE THEN I'VE ALWAYS LONGED FOR KAIN-SENPAI.
I COULDN'T CONFESS IN THE END,
YOU'RE THE ONE PERSON I WISHED WOULD NEVER FIND OUT I'D BECOME A DAMASHIGAMI.
OH KAIN-SENPAI...
3
THEN YOU *DO* LIKE KAIN.
AH,

SO, HE FOUND OUT THAT YOU'RE A DAMASHIGAMI?

SURELY DESPISES ME NOW.

KAIN-SENPAI...

YOU'VE BEEN TALKING OUT LOUD THIS WHOLE TIME.

GIVE IT UP,

MAMIYA SAKURA,

WHY WOULD YOU SAY...

SILENCE!

CLANK

CLANK

CLANK

YOU'VE GOT IT WRONG!

I GUESS IT'S FOR THE BEST THAT I NEVER CONFESSED BACK THEN.

WELL, IF HE HATES ME NOW,

OH.

AWOO!

AWOO!

HUH?

WHOOSH

ROKUDOU RINNE,

I'VE EXPOSED YOUR DAMASHIGAMI CRIMES!

5

ROKUDOU-KUN IS...?

HUH...?

HE HASN'T REALIZED YOU'RE A DAMASHIGAMI YET...

UMM ...

RENGE,

YOU'RE A WITNESS TO THIS!

B- BUT THAT'S...

STAGGER

HM...

SO HE THINKS IT'S ROKUDOU RINNE INSTEAD OF ME...

6

YEAH!

TALK ABOUT A STROKE OF LUCK~!!

YOU'RE MAKING IT WAY TOO OBVIOUS WHAT YOU'RE THINKING.

I FEEL BAD ABOUT THIS ROKUDOU RINNE,

BUT...

"SWING"

I'VE GOT YOUR BACK, KAIN-SENPAI!

"CLANG"

"CLANG"

"CLANG"

"CLANG"

YOU DO KNOW YOU'RE TALKING OUT LOUD, RIGHT?

YOU HAVE TO DIE FOR MY SAKE!

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ROKUMON-CHAN.

"PLUNK"

ひょい

THAT RENGE... SHE PLANS TO HAVE RINNE-SAMA TAKE THE FALL FOR ALL HER CRIMES!

WHISPERING
UHUH UH UH

BAH.

WHAT'S THE BIG PROBLEM, YOU DON'T CARE IF KAIN-SENPAI HATES YOU, RIGHT?

THIS IS A MATTER OF PRIDE FOR ME.

DON'T SAY THINGS LIKE THAT SO CASUALLY.

I GUESS YOU WON'T BE NEEDING IT, THEN?

THIS COIN PURSE WITH ¥700 IN IT WAS DROPPED IN THE DAMASHIGAMI SHOP...

SO YOU STILL REFUSE TO ADMIT YOUR CRIMES...

ROKUDOU-KUN GETS THE ¥700...

THEN IF HE TAKES THE BLAME FOR EVERYTHING...

SEVEN HUNDRED YEN...

*ABOUT $7

HMPH.

I DECLINE ...

HE'S TEMPTED.

A TSU-KUMO-GAMI SEAL!?

IT WOULD BE A SHAME TO WASTE THIS...

"STICK"

"APPLY"

Tsukumogami seals are Shinigami items that can infuse regular objects with a soul.

MASTER!

"ZIP"

RETURN TO YOUR OWNER!

GO!

A SMOKE SCREEN!

LATER!

"WHOOSH"

HMM.

"QUICKLY"

"PANIC"

"APPEARS"

DAMN,

HE ESCAPED INTO A SPIRIT ROAD...

"HUMMING"

RENGE'S GONE TOO !?

!

"HISS"

?

JUST WHAT IS GOING ON!?

THIS REMINDS ME OF A STRANGE RUMOR I HEARD...

HMM...

"LOOMING"

.....

HUH? YOU'RE NOT GOING AFTER THEM?

ON THE EXAM DAY, SHE GOT DRAGGED INTO A DISTURBANCE INVOLVING A GUY JUMPING HIS RESTAURANT BILL.

I HEARD THAT RENGE, WHO WAS SURE TO PASS, NEVER TOOK THE ENTRANCE EXAM FOR THE ELITE SHINIGAMI SCHOOL.

A RUMOR ...?

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SHE THEN ENTERED THE DAMASHIGAMI GIRL'S HIGHSCHOOL WITH TOP GRADES.

AND THAT'S JUST THE START OF THE RUMORS.

"SHAKING" わなわな わなわな

THAT'S WHAT AN EYE-WITNESS TOLD ME.

SHE WAS DRAGGED INTO THE SANZU RIVER* AND MISSED THE THE EXAM.

"PANTING" はっはっ はっはっ

EVERY WORD IS TRUE.

HUH.

SOMEONE ACTUALLY SAW IT AND TOLD HIM, HUH.

HMM, THAT'S...

*THE SANZU RIVER IS THE BUDDHIST EQUIVALENT OF THE RIVER STYX

OF COURSE I DIDN'T BELIEVE THEM FOR A SECOND!

SO HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THOSE RUMORS ...?

...

WELL, UNTIL NOW...

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GLARE

MASTER!

LIKE I HAD A CHOICE?

WHY'D YOU COME WITH US?

YOU MIGHT HAVE FOOLED HIM TODAY,

BUT HE'LL PROBABLY FIND OUT TOMORROW.

AARGH!

"RIP"

"FLUTTER"

AND SO,

BUT YOU DON'T WANT HIM TO FIND OUT...

EH...

CONSIDERING YOUR PRIDE IS AT STAKE.

MAYBE I CAN HELP YOU OUT.

I'LL BE EXPECTING COMPENSATION FOR MY SERVICES.

HOW-EVER!

FINE.

I'D ALREADY GIVEN UP ON THE ¥700 IN THIS PURSE ANYWAY.

I DO. THAT GIRL...

THAT YOU REALLY WANT TO BELIEVE IN HER?

OR ARE YOU SAYING

PANTING

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SHE'S JUST LIKE ME.

ARE YOU SCARED TO ASK HER...?

WE GOT ALONG QUITE WELL.

BUT HER GRADES WERE INCREDIBLE, AND SHE WAS DILIGENT.

HER FAMILY ISN'T WEALTHY,

I'LL WORK HARD IN YOUR PLACE KAIN-SENPAI.

BUT YOU SHOULD KEEP TRYING HARD WITH YOUR STUDIES, RENGE.

I'VE GIVEN UP ON GOING TO HIGH SCHOOL,

I THINK I LEFT ALL MY HOPES AND DREAMS WITH HER...

SIGH

THAT GIRL...

HE FEELS THE SAME WAY ABOUT HER...?

DON'T TELL ME THAT...

.....

YOUR DREAMS ...

A YORI-SHIRO DOLL.

THEY'RE USUALLY ¥1,000, BUT I GOT IT IN A HALF PRICE SALE FOR ONLY ¥500.

Vinyl plastic

ぽん
INFLATE

ON TOP OF THAT I BOUGHT THIS ¥10 YORISHIRO SEAL.

ぴっ
TA-DA

EXIT

THOSE WON'T FOOL HIM FOR A SECOND, WILL THEY?!

ANY SHINIGAMI WOULD RECOGNIZE THEM...

I'LL USE THIS AS A BODY DOUBLE.

HANG ON,

WHY USE SHINI-GAMI TOOLS...

EH...?

BUT IF THEY'RE USED TOGETHER THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS.

TRUE, IF THEY'RE USED SEPARATELY.

USE THIS!

"FWIP"

AND NOW THE CROWNING TOUCH!

B- BUT THAT'S...!?

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TARO, JIRO, WHAT'S UP?

HUH?

ARF!

"SNIFF" "SNIFF"

"ZOOM"

IT'S THIS WAY!

AW-AW-AWOOO!

AWOOO!

"LOOMING"

THE HOUNDS CAUGHT THE PURSE'S SCENT!

PLEASE LET ME BE OVER-THINKING THINGS...

HAS RENGE REALLY BECOME A DAMASHIGAMI ...?

"WOBBLY"

"UNNATURALLY"

RUN AWAAAY!

PRO-BABLY.

IS THIS BODY DOUBLE REALLY UP FOR THE TASK?

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BACK IN THOSE DAYS

SUPPOSE THAT PURSE WAS RENGE'S...

THEN THAT WOULD MEAN SHE'S A DAMASHIGAMI.

ガォーン AWOO!

AWOO!

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HUH?

RENGE!!

"ZOOM"

ROKUDOU-KUN AND RENGE!?

がうーん

AWOOOO~

AW-AW-AWOOO

"PULLING"

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AWOO!

THE HOUNDS RAN RIGHT PAST HER!?

WHAT!?

"ZOOM"

PITTER
PATTER
たったったっ

!

THAT'S ...

たったったっ

PITTER
PATTER

WHAT ...?

THAT DAMASHIGAMI STOLE MY COIN PURSE!

FORGIVE ME KAIN-SENPAI,

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HMPH,

HE FELL FOR IT.

(ふふ) HEH

RENGE ...

ISN'T A DAMASHI-GAMI.

はー *PHEW*

I SEE... SO THAT'S THE CULPRIT...

WHICH MEANS,

AND THE YORISHIRO STICKER STUCK ON THE DOLL MAKES IT WANT TO RUN AWAY.

Coin purse

¥500, doll bought half price in a sale

THIS YORISHIRO DOLL HAS THE PURSE...

Smoke bomb, ¥20

¥10 yorishiro sticker

EXIT

GRUNT ふん ふん

GRUNT ふん ふん

GRUNT ふん

TO FURTHER ENTICE THOSE STUPID MUTTS,

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Pack of gyoza for the super-special price of ¥170

ENTICING ちゃーん

ALTHOUGH IT BROKE MY HEART, I TOOK THESE HEAVENLY GYOZA,

AND STUFFED THEM INSIDE THE DOLL.

Tears of blood

WILL KEEP THE DOLL HIDDEN LONGER.

ALSO, THAT CHEAP ¥20 SMOKE BOMB

ROKUDOU RINNE MUST BE A MASTER OF MAKING ENDS MEET!

TO THINK WE COULD ACHIEVE SO MUCH WITH JUST ¥700...

ALL THE MONEY I HAD IN THE WORLD WAS IN THAT PURSE, BUT...

HUH!?

くたくたくた "WITHERING"

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THAT EXPLAINS WHY THEY PUT IT ON SALE FOR HALF PRICE...

HMM,

YOU BOUGHT DAMAGED GOODS!

みし "CLUNK"

IT'S DEFLAT-ING!!

ぷしゅー! "PSSH"

COLLAPSE

7

!?

CHOMP

PFFFFT

WHAT !?

OM *NOM* *NOM*

TWIRLING

HE VANISHED...

DAMN, I THOUGHT I HAD HIM!

.....

I GUESS THE CULPRIT GOT AWAY.

WHERE DID IT FLY OFF TO!?

MY PURSE, TOO ...

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OH, A PURSE.

APPEARS ひょーい

HUH!?

BUT HE CAME THIS CLOSE TO FINDING OUT THAT I'M A DAMASHIGAMI...

I'M SAFE...

PHEW

HE DIDN'T EVEN THINK TWICE BEFORE STEALING IT...

"TWITCH"

"YOINK"

IT'S MY OLD MAN.

THE PRES-IDENT OF MY FIRM!

THAT'S ...

WELL, IF YOU SAY SO.

"RUSH"

IT LOOKS LIKE YOUR DAMN FATHER IS THE CULPRIT!

ROKU-DOU,

AND ALSO ...

OH, IF IT ISN'T KAIN-KUN AND RINNE.

HUH?

NOW THE PRES-IDENT WILL TAKE THE BLAME!

OH, MY LUCK KEEPS GETTING BETTER!

REN...
!?

!?

"THWACK"

"PUNT"

BEAT IT.

THE PRODIGY OF MY DAMASHIGAMI GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL,

REN-

AT ANY RATE, MY OLD MAN TOOK THE PURSE KAIN WAS TRACKING WITH.

I GUESS THAT SOLVES THIS PROBLEM.

ARE YOU REALLY SURE YOU LOVE KAIN?

"SIGH"...

PHEW, THAT WAS A CLOSE ONE...

HUH?

WOULDN'T THIS BE A GOOD CHANCE TO GIVE UP ON BEING A DAMASHIGAMI?

BUT RENGE,

がっかり "HEARTBROKEN"

IT'S EMPTY.

YOU DO REALIZE I JUST USED UP ¥700, ALL THE MONEY I HAD IN THE WORLD, FOR THIS COVER-UP.

DON'T SAY SUCH STUPID THINGS.

I COULD JUST BE IMAGINING THINGS, BUT..

I SEE... BUT STILL,

"KA-THUMP"

I THINK KAIN MIGHT LIKE YOU TOO.

YEAH.

WELL ...

I THINK I LEFT ALL MY HOPES AND DREAMS WITH HER...

THAT GIRL...

TH-

WH- WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?

THAT'D NEVER HAPPEN...

"THUMP" "THUMP" "THUMP" "THUMP" "THUMP"

HIS DREAMS...?

WITH ME...?

"THUMP" どき "THUMP" どき "THUMP" どき

WHAT THE-?

MY HEAD HURTS.

"STANDS" むく

YOU'RE IMAGINING IT.

ふぁ... SIGH...

MY OLD MAN GOT AWAY.

UNFOR-TUNATELY,

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I SEE...

STILL ...

I'M GLAD.

WHAT!?

I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE A DAMASHIGAMI.

BUT JUST FOR A MINUTE THERE,

FORGIVE ME RENGE.

AS IF THAT WOULD EVER HAPPEN!

WH-

WHAT!?

BUT IN THAT ONE IN A MILLION CHANCE THAT YOU WERE ONE OF THOSE SCUM OF SOCIETY, THE DAMASHIGAMI,

YES,

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HMM...

ABSOLUTELY NO HESITATION OR MERCY.

IT'S REGRETTABLE, BUT I'D HAVE TO EXPOSE YOU IMMEDIATELY!

EVEN IF I'D BE DRINKING TEARS OF SHAME AS I THREW YOU INTO THE CELLS!!

IS SAYING SUCH THINGS ABOUT ME...

KAIN-SENPAI...

"MELT" ～ん

YOU WERE ALWAYS SO PURE, PROPER AND BEAUTIFUL.

BUT THEN I REMEMBERED YOU FROM BACK IN THOSE DAYS, RENGE...

TODAY IS MY LAST DAY.

FORGET THE DAMASHI-GAMI

YEAH...

"NOOM" ～わ

IT'S SEEMS LIKE I GUESSED RIGHT.

MAYBE SOME-TIME ...

UMM, KAIN-SENPAI,

AH...

WELL, SEE YA.

BUT MAYBE IF YOU HAVE SOME FREE TIME ...

FIDGET もじもじもじ

I MEAN, IF YOU CAN'T IT'S FINE,

WELL...

HMM?

KATHUMP ドン *KATHUMP* ドン *KATHUMP*

WE COULD...

GO FOR SOME TEA TOGETHER OR SOME-THING...

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RENGE...

YOU'RE RIGHT, I CAN'T.

YOU CAN'T BE WASTING YOUR FREE TIME HANGING AROUND WITH ME.
I HAVE NEITHER THE FREE TIME NOR THE MONEY.

SO IT WAS THAT KIND OF DREAM...
OH...
IT'S MY DREAM THAT YOU CAN MAKE IT.
I WANT YOU TO STUDY YOUR HARDEST FOR ME, AND HAVE A SPLENDID CAREER AS A SHINIGAMI BUREAUCRAT.
SIGH

ROKUDOU RINNE,

HMPH.

I READ HIM COMPLETELY WRONG.

THERE WASN'T A HINT OF ROMANCE THERE.

ZOOM

EVEN IF IT DIDN'T WORK OUT IN THE END.

JUST THIS ONE, I'LL THANK YOU.

RENGE ...

SHE'S NOT GETTING OVER THIS ANYTIME SOON.

WELL THAT WAS QUICK.

AND SHE'S BACK TO WORK.

I GOTTA EARN BACK THAT ¥700 I WASTED.

The next day

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